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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**
2 **ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2015, ON PAGE 149]**

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FIRST TO THE BEGIN THE NEW YEAR,
7 JANUARY 6, 2015, OUR BOARD WILL HAVE OUR FIRST MEETING. WE
8 WANT TO WISH EVERYBODY A VERY HAPPY, HAPPY NEW YEAR. AND THAT
9 YOU HAD A NICE HANUKKAH AND A BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS AND FOR OUR
10 ORTHODOX FRIENDS, WE WITH THEM A MERRY CHRISTMAS TOMORROW
11 NIGHT BECAUSE THEY CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS JANUARY 7TH. WE WILL
12 OPEN OUR MEETING WITH OUR INVOCATION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE.
13 AND OUR PLEDGE WILL BE BY RIGOBERTO SANCHEZ, WHO IS A
14 SERGEANT, UNITED STATES ARMY FROM THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL
15 DISTRICT. AUDIENCE PLEASE RISE AND SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. JOIN ME IN AN ATTITUDE OF
18 PRAYER. MOST KIND AND GRACIOUS HEAVENLY FATHER, WE COME BEFORE
19 YOU ONCE AGAIN AND PARTICULARLY AS WE START THIS NEW YEAR,
20 2015. WE THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITIES OF 2014 AND ASK FOR
21 YOUR CONTINUED DIVINE GUIDANCE AS WE MOVE INTO 2015 AND
22 FORWARD. WE ASK YOUR BLESSINGS OVER THE CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT
23 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE MEN AND WOMEN, THE WORKFORCE OF LOS
24 ANGELES COUNTY, AND THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE TO DO, THE
25 DIFFICULT DECISIONS THAT WE'LL HAVE TO MAKE ALONG THE WAY, WE

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1 PRAY FOR YOUR GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION. WE ALSO THANK YOU FOR
2 THE VERY MANY BLESSINGS YOU BESTOWED ON EACH OF US. BUT LET US
3 BE VERY MINDFUL OF THOSE IN NEED, THE PEOPLE WE IS SERVE, THE
4 ULTIMATE SAFETY NET. GRACIOUS GOD AS WE MOVE FORWARD, WE SAY
5 THANK YOU AND ASK FOR YOUR GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION AND ALL
6 GOD'S PEOPLE SAID AMEN.

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8 **RIGOBERTO SANCHEZ:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING. FACE THE FLAG.
9 PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND JOIN ME IN THE
10 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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12 **SUP.KUEHL:** YOU CAN STAND NEXT TO ME, HERE -- I WANT TO
13 INTRODUCE THE GENTLEMAN WHO LED US IN THE PLEDGE, RIGOBERTO
14 SANCHEZ. HE'S A WORK-STUDY STUDENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
15 MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS WORKING TO DEVELOP A STREAMLINE
16 PROCESS FOR THE COLLEGE FEE WAIVER PROGRAM. HE IS CURRENTLY
17 WORKING TOWARDS HIS MASTER'S OF ART IN INTELLIGENCE STUDIES
18 AND HE SERVED IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE NATIONAL GUARD AND IS
19 CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE ARMY RESERVE. PLEASE HELP ME THANK
20 HIM. [APPLAUSE].

21

22 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
23 BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3, WITH THE AGENDA OF THE MEETING
24 FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, ITEM 1-D, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
25 REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE

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1 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ON ITEM 1-H, A MEMBER OF THE
2 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 5, BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 14. ON ITEM 1, A MEMBER OF THE
4 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 2, SUPERVISOR
5 SOLIS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ITEM NO. 4, A MEMBER OF
6 THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. NO. 4. AND ON ITEM
7 NO. 6, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
8 ON ITEM NO. 7, THIS ITEM WILL BE TAKEN UP WITH THE DISCUSSION
9 ITEM S-1 REPORT. AND ON ITEM NO. 8, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
10 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD, ITEM NO. 10 IS ALSO MEMBER OF
11 THE PUBLIC. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
12 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOVED AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MARK
15 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION SO ORDERED.

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17 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** PAGE 10, CONSENT CALENDAR,
18 ITEMS 15-48. ITEM 15, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
19 ITEM BE HELD. ITEMS 16 AND 17, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS
20 THAT THESE ITEMS BE TAKEN OFF CALENDAR SO THAT REGIONAL
21 PLANNING CAN CONDUCT FURTHER REVIEW RELATED TO THE FINAL
22 APPROVAL. ON ITEM NO. 17, I'M SORRY, ITEM NO. 18, A MEMBER OF
23 THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 21,
24 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
25 TWO WEEKS TO JANUARY 20, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 22, MEMBERS OF THE

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1 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS NO. 27 AND 28,
2 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON
3 ITEM NO. 29, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS REQUESTS THIS ITEM
4 BE REFERRED BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT. ON ITEM NO. 30 AND 31, A
5 MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE
6 HELD. ITEM NO. 43, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS
7 ITEM BE HELD. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
8 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SECOND
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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13 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 25, DISCUSSION ITEM
14 NO. 49. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 26,
15 MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE
16 THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE
17 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ITEM 50-A, THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU. 50-A.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. 50-A. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
20 SOLIS. SECOND IT WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED.

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22 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** AND ON PAGE 30, NOTICES OF
23 CLOSED SESSION. ON ITEM CS-4, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
24 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE

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1 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH

2 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 4.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FIRST WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE

5 COUNTY'S 2014 FITNESS CHALLENGE AWARDEES TODAY. THEY WERE THE

6 ONES WHO HAVE DONE THE MOST DURING THE PAST YEAR OF OVER 6,400

7 EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES ATTENDED FITNESS EVENTS ALL OVER

8 THE COUNTY, INCLUDING HIKING THROUGH PLACERITA CANYON, HIKING

9 AND PADDLE BOARDING AT CASTAIC LAKE. CIRCUIT TRAINING IN

10 LAWNDALDE AND DANCING THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. COMBINED, COUNTY

11 EMPLOYEES LOST OVER 10,000 POUNDS. THAT'S HOW MUCH THEY LOST

12 DOING EXERCISE. GIVE THEM A HAND. [APPLAUSE.] THE COUNTY

13 DEPARTMENT WITH THE GREATEST WEIGHT LOSS, FIRST PLACE WINNERS

14 OF THE TRAVELING TROPHY IS THE DEPARTMENT OF MEDICAL EXAMINER-

15 CORONER BECAUSE THEY KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WEIGHT LOSS

16 AND WHERE THEY WORK. AND SECOND PLACE IS THE CHILD SUPPORT

17 SERVICES AND THIRD PLACE IS THE ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER. SO

18 WE WANT TO THANK OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS, ANTHEM BLUE CROSS,

19 SIGNA HEALTH, KAISER PERMANENTE, UNITED HEALTHCARE, DELTA

20 DENTAL, MET LIFE AND THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION, AND WE

21 LOOK FORWARD TO A VERY GREAT 2015 WHEN WE LOSE MORE POUNDS AND

22 STAY HEALTHY. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **LISA GARRETT:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I WANT TO THANK FIRST

25 OUR MAYOR AND OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR UNWAVERING

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1 SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT TO THE HEALTH AND WELLNESS OF OUR
2 COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND FOR ACTUALLY RECOGNIZING THE COUNTY-WIDE
3 FITNESS CHALLENGE EVERY YEAR SINCE IT BEGAN IN 2010. WE ALSO
4 WANT TO THANK OUR C.E.O. FOR ALLOCATING A POSITION TO ALLOW US
5 TO CONTINUE THIS GREAT WORK. WE ALSO HAVE SEVERAL CO-LABORERS.
6 I SAY IN THE AREA OF FITNESS. RUSS GUINEY, KAY MICHAELSON,
7 JOHN WICKER FROM BEACHES -- I'M SORRY, FROM DEPARTMENT OF
8 PARKS AND REC. I DON'T SEE RICH RIGHT NOW. BUT I WANT TO THANK
9 THEM. THEY WORKED TIRELESSLY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR WITH US TO
10 BRING US TO NEW PARKS EVERY SINGLE YEAR. I ALSO WANT TO THANK
11 GARY JONES AND CARRIE SILVERSTROM, THE GREAT TEAM FROM THE
12 BEACHES AND HARBOR. I HAVE TO ALSO THANK OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS,
13 THE MANAGERS AND THE EMPLOYEES. THIS YEAR WE HAD PARTICIPANTS
14 FROM 32 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, YEAH! [APPLAUSE.] AND I HAVE TO
15 SAY THE COUNTY-WIDE FITNESS CHALLENGE IS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE
16 OF A WINNING PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP. WE COULD NOT RUN THIS
17 PROGRAM WITHOUT THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS OF OUR HEALTH
18 CARRIERS. CAN YOU GIVE THEM A HAND? ANTHEM, SIGNA, KAISER,
19 UNITED HEALTHCARE, DELTA DENTAL, MET LIFE AND OUR PARTNERS
20 FROM THE AMERICAN HEALTH ASSOCIATION. LAST BUT NOT LEAST I DO
21 WANT TO THANK THE DYNAMIC TEAM FROM D.H.R. GIVE THEM A ROUND
22 OF APPLAUSE. YAY! [APPLAUSE.] FOR WORKING WITH ALL OF OUR
23 PARTNERS IN THE COUNTY AND THE OUTSIDE AGENCIES TO IMAGINE NEW
24 AND INNOVATIVE WAYS TO ENGAGE OUR EMPLOYEES IN GETTING ACTIVE,
25 GETTING HEALTHY AND TAKING CONTROL OF THEIR HEALTH AND

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1 FITNESS. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE ALISA CARREO. MARY GILLMORE,
2 DIANA FONSECA, WALTER POPOFF, SHAWN AUDEN AND EPI PINADO FROM
3 D.H.R. [APPLAUSE.] YOU SHOULD KNOW IT TAKES A TREMENDOUS
4 AMOUNT OF WORK TO GET THIS PROGRAM GOING EVERY YEAR, BUT OUR
5 LABORS HAVE NOT BEEN IN VAIN. KAISER REALLY SUPPORTS ABOUT ONE
6 HALF OF OUR EMPLOYEE POPULATION AND THEY HAVE REPORTED NUMBERS
7 OF OBESE AND OVERWEIGHT EMPLOYEES HAS REDUCED FROM 76.2
8 PERCENT IN 2010 TO 74.8 PERCENT IN 2013. [APPLAUSE.] THAT'S
9 GREAT. WE NEED TO CELEBRATE OURSELVES. OUR DIABETES NUMBERS
10 WERE CONSTANTLY INCREASING; HOWEVER, NOW THEY'RE STABILIZING
11 AND ON THE DECLINE. I'M MOST HAPPY ABOUT THE SIGNIFICANT DROP
12 IN OUR HIGH CHOLESTEROL RATES, WHICH DROPPED FROM 38.2 PERCENT
13 IN 2010 TO 32.1 PERCENT IN 2013! [APPLAUSE.] THESE NUMBERS ARE
14 SIGNIFICANT. HOWEVER, WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO. AND WE WILL
15 BE STARTING UP THE COUNTYWIDE FITNESS CHALLENGE THIS APRIL.
16 THIS YEAR WE'RE ADDING SOMETHING NEW. IT'S CALLED 12-WEEK RACE
17 ACROSS THE WORLD PROGRAM WHERE WE WILL ALLOW EMPLOYEES TO
18 TRACK THEIR FITNESS AND ACTIVITIES ON AN INTERACTIVE SOCIAL
19 MEDIA PLATFORM WITH OTHER COUNTY EMPLOYEES USING THE
20 ELECTRONIC PEBBLE. SO STAY TUNED FOR THAT. WE ALSO ARE GOING
21 TO INCORPORATE FINANCIAL WELLNESS TO THE COUNTY WIDE FITNESS
22 CHALLENGE BECAUSE WE ARE TRYING TO TAKE A HOLISTIC VIEW OF
23 WELLNESS FOR OUR COUNTY EMPLOYEES. SO LASTLY I JUST WANT TO
24 SAY, THIS TEAM OF PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERS ARE PULLING OUT ALL
25 THE STOPS TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND FITNESS OF OUR EMPLOYEES

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1 AND THEIR FAMILIES. AND STEP-BY-STEP WE ARE CHANGING OUTCOMES
2 FOR GENERATIONS OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES. AND NOT ONLY OUR COUNTY
3 EMPLOYEES BUT THEIR FAMILIES AND THE COMMUNITIES IN WHICH THEY
4 RESIDE. I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU AGAIN TO ALL OF OUR PARTNERS
5 HERE FOR YOUR GREAT WORK, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO EVEN GREATER
6 WORKS NEXT YEAR. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET'S GET ALL THE SUPERVISORS, DON?
9 [LAUGHTER.]

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL GO TO SUPERVISOR KNABE AND COME
12 BACK FOR MY PRESENTATIONS.

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. BEFORE I GO INTO MY
15 PRESENTATIONS, AS THESE OTHER FOLKS ARE LEAVING, I'D LIKE TO
16 BRING A POINT OF ORDER. I'M READING A SPECIAL MOTION IN
17 REGARDS TO A REWARDS MOTION. ON SATURDAY, THIS PAST SATURDAY
18 AT APPROXIMATELY 5:47 P.M., A FATHER OF THREE-WEEK OLD LISA DE
19 LA CRUZ HAD JUST ARRIVED HOME FROM WORK. HE SAT DOWN ON THE
20 EDGE OF HIS BED TO WATCH HIS GIRLFRIEND FEED THEIR NEWBORN
21 BABY. AND WITHOUT WARNING, A MALE SUBJECT ENTERED THE ROOM AND
22 STARTED SHOOTING STRIKING THE YOUNG FATHER, CRITICALLY
23 INJURING THE MOTHER. THE SUSPECT TOOK THE BABY FROM THE MOTHER
24 AND LEFT THE RESIDENCE WITH THE CHILD. THE FATHER WAS ABLE TO
25 CALL THE POLICE AND WHILE WAITING FOR POLICE TO ARRIVE ALSO

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1 DISCOVERED THAT HIS BROTHER, WHO HAD BEEN IN ANOTHER ROOM, WAS
2 ALSO SHOT AND CRITICALLY INJURED AND WOUNDED BY THE SUSPECT.
3 UNFORTUNATELY, THE NEXT DAY, THE INFANT WAS FOUND DECEASED IN
4 A TRASH DUMPSTER IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY. DETECTIVES HAVE FEW
5 LEADS IN THIS CASE AND BELIEVE A REWARD WILL PROMPT RELUCTANT
6 WITNESSES TO COME FORWARD. JUST EVERYONE OUT THERE KNOW THAT
7 YOU CAN AND WILL BE ANONYMOUS. ANYONE THAT SEES ANYTHING,
8 PLEASE LET THE LONG BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT KNOW. I WOULD MOVE
9 THAT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFER A \$25,000 REWARD FOR
10 INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE
11 PERPETRATOR OR PERPETRATORS OF THIS MOST HEINOUS CRIME. WITH
12 THAT, I MOVE THE ITEM.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR?

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20 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO --
21 I'M ASKING THE MANAGEMENT TEAM FROM LOS VERDES GOLF COURSE AND
22 AMERICAN GOLF CORPORATION TO JOIN US. WE HAVE AMERICAN GOLF
23 C.E.O. JIM HINKLEY, REGIONAL VICE PRESIDENT, JEFF BERRY,
24 REGIONAL DIRECTOR BRIAN BOTA, AND REPRESENTING LOS VERDES ARE
25 THE SUPERINTENDENT, SCOTT YOUNG, FOOD AND BEVERAGE DIRECTOR

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1 J.C. POOPER, PRIVATE EVENT SALES DIRECTOR, JACKIE LOW, THEIR
2 EXECUTIVE CHEF, TODD NISHIMOTO. AND UNFORTUNATELY GENERAL
3 MANAGER BOB LOCKHART COULD NOT ATTEND. DO WE HAVE THE MEN'S
4 CLUB HERE, AS WELL? RIGHT HERE, RIGHT HERE BEHIND ME. ALSO
5 FROM THE LOS VERDES MEN'S CLUB, WHICH ALSO RECENTLY CELEBRATED
6 THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY WE HAVE JIM LAUDER, THE MEN'S CLUB
7 PRESIDENT AND RANDY SEGRO, PREVIOUS MEN'S CLUB PRESIDENT.
8 JOINING THEM FROM OUR DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION IS
9 DIRECTOR RUSS GUINEY, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR JOHN WICKER, GOLF
10 OPERATIONS MANAGER, GEORGE PIDEL, GOLF DIRECTOR WARREN LEERY
11 AND THE REST OF OUR COUNTY GOLF OPERATIONS TEAM. TODAY WE ARE
12 RECOGNIZING THE LOS VERDES GOLF COURSE FROM BEING NAMED THE
13 2014 L.A. COUNTY GOLF COURSE OF THE YEAR. LOS VERDES HAS BEEN
14 OPERATED BY THE AMERICAN GOLF CORPORATION SINCE NOVEMBER OF
15 1982 AND HAS AVERAGED MORE THAN 120,000 ROUNDS OF GOLF PER
16 YEAR DURING THE LAST 30 YEARS WHICH MAKES IT THE BUSIEST GOLF
17 COURSE IN THE COUNTY'S GOLF SYSTEM. IN ADDITION, LOS VERDES
18 HAS PROVIDED MANY SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY AS WELL AS GOLFERS
19 ALIKE FROM HOSTING TOURNAMENTS FOR VARIOUS CHARITIES TO ACTING
20 AS A HOME COURSE FOR MANY AREA HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS AND ONE OF
21 THE FINEST PRO SHOPS IN OUR COUNTY SYSTEM AND HOSTING THE MOST
22 WEDDINGS AND RECEPTIONS OF ANY FACILITY WE HAVE IN THE COUNTY.
23 ALSO RECEIVED MANY IMPROVEMENTS OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS AND
24 HAS ACHIEVED THE DESIGNATION AS A 2014 GOLF COURSE OF THE YEAR
25 FOR THE THIRD TIME IN FOUR YEARS FOR PROVIDING GOLF, HIGH

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1 QUALITY MAINTENANCE AND OUTSTANDING CUSTOMER SERVICE. THEY
2 HAVE DISPLAYED EXCELLENT AND CONSISTENT PERFORMANCE IN GOLF
3 COURSE OPERATION AS WELL AS THE OTHER ATTENDING FACTORS. ON
4 BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES HERE AND THE BOARD AND THE
5 RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS
6 PLAQUE TO THE LOS VERDES MANAGEMENT TEAM AND STAFF FOR THEIR
7 EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE DURING THE LAST YEAR AND CONGRATULATE
8 THEM ON BEING NAMED THE COUNTY GOLF COURSE OF THE YEAR.

9 [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND CONGRATULATIONS TO
12 OUR ENTIRE LOS VERDES MANAGEMENT TEAM, JIM, JEFF, BRIAN, PAUL,
13 BOB, SCOTT, J.C., JACKIE AND TODD, GREAT JOB. AND AS
14 SUPERVISOR KNABE SAID, LOS VERDES GOLF COURSE HAS BEEN
15 SELECTED AS THE GOLF COURSE OF THE YEAR THREE OUT OF THE LAST
16 FOUR YEARS, WHICH IS CERTAINLY AN ACCOMPLISHMENT TO BE PROUD
17 OF. AND IT SHOWS -- IT'S A TESTAMENT TO THE HARD WORK OF THIS
18 ENTIRE MANAGEMENT TEAM. LOS ANGELES COUNTY HAS THE LARGEST
19 MUNICIPAL GOLF SYSTEM IN THE COUNTRY WITH 17 GOLF COURSES AT
20 19 LOCATIONS. WE OFFER AFFORDABLE GOLF AT WELL MAINTAINED,
21 BEAUTIFUL COURSES. IF YOU HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO PLAY LOS
22 VERDES GOLF COURSE, PLEASE COME OUT AND TRY IT RIGHT AWAY. AND
23 ALSO DON'T FORGET WE'VE GOT A BEAUTIFUL GOLF COURSE SYSTEM, SO
24 COME OUT AND TRY TO PLAY ALL OF OUR GOLF COURSES IN LOS

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1 ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. AND
2 CONGRATULATIONS, AGAIN, TO OUR LOS VERDES TEAM. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** DO WE HAVE A SCROLL FOR THE LOS VERDES TEAM AND
5 FOR THE AMERICAN GOLF? ALL RIGHT. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, GOLF
6 COURSE OF THE YEAR, LOS VERDES. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]
7 THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS. AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO
8 CALL UP 2014 L.A. COUNTY JUNIOR GOLF CHAMPIONS ALONG WITH THE
9 LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION GOLF OPS
10 TEAM. 2014 MARKED THE NINTH YEAR THAT OUR DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
11 AND REC HAVE HOSTED OUR COUNTY JUNIOR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS. WE
12 HAD OVER 1,000 PARTICIPANTS THIS YEAR COMPETING IN 7 EVENTS
13 WITH 132 QUALIFIERS CONTESTING IN THE CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL. A
14 MINIMUM OF ONE QUALIFYING EVENT WAS HELD IN EACH OF OUR
15 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS, AND THE CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL IS ROTATED
16 EACH YEAR IN OUR DISTRICT. SO THIS YEAR, IT IS TRULY AN L.A.
17 COUNTY EVENT. THIS YEAR THE 2014 FINAL WAS HELD AT LA MIRADA
18 GOLF COURSE AND THE DIAMOND BAR GOLF COURSE. FIRST OF ALL WE'D
19 LIKE TO THANK OUR MAJOR SPONSORS FOR MAKING THIS EVENT
20 POSSIBLE. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY JUNIOR GOLF FOUNDATION, THE
21 ROGER DUNN GOLF SHOPS, LYNN KINET WHO IS OUR HONORARY STARTER
22 AND LIFETIME JUNIOR GOLF ADVOCATE, THE AMERICAN JUNIOR GOLF
23 ASSOCIATION, AND THE JUNIOR GOLF SCOREBOARD. AND ALL OF OUR
24 GOLF COURSE LESSEES WHO PROVIDE FREE RANGE BALLS FOR THE USE
25 AS WELL AS THE USE OF THE GOLF COURSE AT NO CHARGE. SO NOW I'M

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1 GOING TO INTRODUCE TO YOU -- WE HAD A LITTLE GREETING UPSTAIRS
2 AND CONGRATULATING THEM UP THERE, OUR 2014 COUNTY JUNIOR GOLF
3 CHAMPIONS. FIRST OF ALL, BOYS AGES 16-18 FROM MANHATTAN BEACH,
4 WE HAVE C.J. COLEMAN. HIS FINAL SCORE WAS 65, 72, A FOUR-
5 STROKE VICTORY OVER HIS NEAREST COMPETITOR. SO C.J.?
6 [APPLAUSE.] NEXT BOYS AGES 14-15, THE WINNER IS ROMAN ARAGON
7 OF LA PALMA. REMEMBER, THIS IS ALL LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND
8 THROUGHOUT THE REGION. SO WE HAVE WINNERS FROM ALL OVER THE
9 REGION HERE COMPETING IN THIS GREAT TOURNAMENT HOSTED BY OUR
10 PARKS AND REC. SO FROM LA PALMA, ROMAN ARAGON WITH A FINAL
11 SCORE OF A 70 AND 69, A FOUR-STROKE VICTORY, AS WELL, OVER HIS
12 NEAREST COMPETITOR. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. TWO-ROUND TOTAL IS
13 EQUALED TO MY ONE-ROUND TOTAL, BUT THAT'S OKAY. BOYS AGES 12
14 TO 13 WAS DEREK LIU FROM IRVINE, WITH A FINAL SCORE OF 68, 73
15 AND A SIX-STROKE VICTORY OVER HIS NEAREST COMPETITOR. DEREK?
16 [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. BOYS AGES 11 AND UNDER WE
17 HAVE JERRY WU FROM TEMPLE CITY WITH A FINAL SCORE 39, 33, A
18 SEVEN-STROKE VICTORY OVER HIS NEAREST COMPETITOR. JERRY?
19 [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT. NOW OUR GIRLS. AGES 15 TO 18 IS ASHLEY
20 PARK FROM MISSION VIEJO WITH A FINAL SCORE OF 71, 67, A SIX-
21 STROKE VICTORY OVER HER NEAREST COMPETITOR. SO, ASHLEY?
22 [APPLAUSE.] I HAVE TO ADD ABOUT ASHLEY. I FOUND OUT UPSTAIRS
23 SHE'S ONLY 13 AND SHE WANTED TO MOVE UP TO THE UPPER DIVISION.
24 SHE MOVED UP TO THE 15 AND 18 DIVISION AND WON THAT DIVISION
25 AS A 13-YEAR-OLD. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] AND THE GIRLS

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1 AGES 12 TO 14, WE HAVE LEANNE AKINO PERALTO ABREA, WITH A
2 FINAL SCORE OF 77, 70, TWO-STROKE VICTORY OVER HER NEAREST
3 COMPETITOR. [APPLAUSE.] GIRLS AGES 11 AND UNDER, ANGELINA KIM
4 OF LOS ANGELES WITH A FINAL SCORE OF 35, 39 AND A NINE-STROKE
5 VICTORY OVER HER CLOSEST COMPETITOR. [APPLAUSE.] SO WE WANT TO
6 CONGRATULATE EVERYONE. WANT TO GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF
7 APPLAUSE. CONGRATULATIONS AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU OUT
8 THERE NEXT YEAR. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU TO OUR PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT FOR
11 HOSTING ANOTHER GREAT TOURNAMENT. CONGRATULATIONS, EVERYBODY.
12 MR. MAYOR?

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TODAY WE'RE RECOGNIZING JIM ADAMS WHO
15 IS THE ASSISTANT C.E.O. FOR HIS 11-1/2 YEAR OF SERVICE TO LOS
16 ANGELES COUNTY. DURING HIS TENURE HE PROVIDED LEADERSHIP
17 TRANSFORMING THE EMPLOYEE RELATIONS DEPARTMENT AND HIS
18 STRATEGIC FORESIGHT FOR THE BOARD IN PREVENTING LAYOFFS AND
19 FURLOUGHS DURING THE ECONOMIC RECESSION. THROUGH HIS STRONG
20 LEADERSHIP SKILLS, HE WAS PROMOTED IN 2012 TO THE POSITION OF
21 ASSISTANT C.E.O. AND WE WISH JIM CONTINUED SUCCESS IN HIS
22 RETIREMENT YEARS. [CHEERING AND APPLAUSE].

23

24 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS
25 OPPORTUNITY TO CONGRATULATE JIM AND HIS WIFE KATHY ON JIM'S

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1 RETIREMENT. I'VE ACTUALLY KNOWN JIM HIS ENTIRE CAREER HERE AT
2 THE COUNTY AND HAVE WORKED CLOSELY WITH HIM BACK IN MY HEALTH
3 SERVICES DAYS. AND THEN AGAIN IN THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE. AND JIM
4 HAS JUST DONE A FABULOUS JOB FOR THE COUNTY, PARTNERING WITH
5 THE UNIONS AND REALLY GETTING US THROUGH THE LAST FIVE YEARS
6 OF THE FINANCIAL CRISIS. AND SO, AGAIN, I WANT TO TAKE THIS
7 OPPORTUNITY TO WISH JIM WELL. I HAVE A FEELING THAT WE'LL SEE
8 HIM AGAIN SOON. BUT CONGRATULATIONS, JIM, AND KATHY.

9 [APPLAUSE]

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST ADD, MR. MAYOR, LET THE RECORD REFLECT THAT
12 THE BUTTON IS BUTTONED AT THE TOP AND HIS TIE IS TIED.

13

14 **JIM ADAMS:** I WAS GOING TO SAY IN HONOR OF SUPERVISOR KNABE, I
15 DID BUTTON MY TOP BUTTON TODAY. [LAUGHTER.] I WANT TO THANK
16 MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND SACHI FOR THOSE KIND WORDS. I'VE HAD AN
17 INTERESTING 12 YEARS HERE. I CAN'T THANK MY STAFF ENOUGH. MY
18 CLASSIFICATION STAFF AND E.R. STAFF, BENEFITS STAFF,
19 COMPENSATION STAFF HAVE DONE JUST A TERRIFIC JOB. I DON'T
20 THINK THEY CAN TAKE SECOND PLACE TO ANYBODY IN THE COUNTY.
21 TERRIFIC JOB. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU AND I'LL REMEMBER YOU
22 ALWAYS. I'LL THANK MY UNION PARTNERS. WE'VE HAD SOME TOUGH
23 TIMES, BUT WE'RE ALWAYS ABLE TO SIT DOWN AFTERWARDS AND TRY TO
24 FIGURE OUT A WAY FORWARD. AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.
25 I'M LEAVING WITH A GOOD TEAM, GOOD MANAGEMENT TEAM IN PLACE.

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1 MARY ANNE KEEN, MY BENEFITS SENIOR MANAGER IS TERRIFIC, ALONG
2 WITH ROBBY MACK, MY EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AND CLASSIFICATION
3 MANAGER. MARY ANNE IS ALSO COMPENSATION MANAGER. AND WITH HER
4 IS NAPOLEON, COMPENSATION MANAGER, AND SUSAN MOONGENE,
5 COMPENSATION MANAGER, PAUL COIN, WHO HAS DONE A FABULOUS JOB
6 HELPING OUT WHEN STEVE'S BEEN GONE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR
7 YOUR SUPPORT. AND I LEAVE EVERYBODY IN GOOD HANDS. THANK YOU.
8 [APPLAUSE.] AND SHE WHO MUST BE OBEYED, MY WIFE KATHY. THANK
9 YOU, KATHY. [APPLAUSE]

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE WANT TO BRING UP CRESCENTA
12 VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM AT THIS TIME. COME ON UP.
13 [APPLAUSE.] CRESCENTA VALLEY, AN OUTSTANDING ATHLETIC PROGRAM
14 ALONG WITH THEIR OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC PROGRAM, AND THIS IS NOT
15 THE FIRST TIME THEY HAVE BEEN RECIPIENTS OF THIS AWARD. WE'RE
16 GOING TO BE RECOGNIZING THESE YOUNG MEN FOR WINNING THE 2014
17 C.I.F., SOUTHERN DIVISION TITLE AFTER DEFEATING DOWNEY HIGH
18 SCHOOL AND ENDING THE SEASON WITH 14 WINS AND 0 LOSSES.
19 [APPLAUSE] THIS IS CRESCENTA VALLEY'S SECOND C.I.F. SINCE
20 WINNING ITS FIRST STREAK BACK IN THE FIRST TITLE BACK IN 1973.
21 AND ALONG WITH THE TEAM, WE HAVE THEIR HEAD COACH, PAUL
22 SHULLING, THEIR QUARTERBACK, BRIAN GATSBY, AND ALL THE MEMBERS
23 OF THE TEAM AND THEIR MANY PROUD PARENTS WITH THEIR CAMERAS IN
24 HAND IN THE AUDIENCE AND COMING UP, AS WELL. WE ALL KNOW THE
25 VALUE AS ONE WHO WAS INVOLVED IN ATHLETICS WHEN I WAS IN

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1 SCHOOL, AND MY CHILDREN ARE INVOLVED IN ATHLETICS. IT'S
2 IMPORTANT FOR KIDS TO BE INVOLVED TO PARTICIPATE. IT TEACHES
3 THEM DISCIPLINE. IT TEACHES THEM TO STAY IN GOOD CONDITION. IT
4 TEACHES THEM HOW TO WORK AS A TEAM. AND WHAT IS VERY NICE,
5 WHEN WE SEE THESE GAMES ON TELEVISION, AFTER THE GAME IS OVER,
6 TO SEE THE MEMBERS OF EACH TEAM GOING OVER AND CONGRATULATING
7 EACH OTHER ON THE VICTORY OR THE DEFEAT, GIVING THEM
8 CONDOLENCES ON THAT DEFEAT, BUT COMING TOGETHER. AND THAT'S
9 WHAT SPORTSMANSHIP IS ALL ABOUT. AND WE'RE VERY PROUD. SO,
10 COACH, LET ME GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION. AND EACH OF THE
11 MEMBERS. AND WE ALSO HAVE SOME CHEERING HERE. AND GIVE YOU
12 THIS PROCLAMATION. AND EACH MEMBERS OF THE TEAM HAS A
13 PROCLAMATION SIGNED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. SO, COACH?
14 AND THEN WE'LL TAKE THE PICTURE. HERE, WANT TO SAY SOMETHING?
15 SURE.

16

17 **SPEAKER:** I JUST WANT TO SAY WE HAD A REALLY GREAT GROUP OF
18 GUYS THIS YEAR THAT PUT THE TEAM AHEAD OF THEMSELVES TO MAKE
19 THIS POSSIBLE. AND ON BEHALF OF ALL OUR COACHES, OUR MANAGERS,
20 OUR TRAINER AND ALL THESE PLAYERS, WE THANK YOU FOR THIS GREAT
21 OPPORTUNITY. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I DON'T WANT PEOPLE TO BE BLOCKED FROM
24 THE PICTURE ... LA CRESCENTA NEWSPAPER WILL NOT HAVE YOUR

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1 PICTURE. RIGHT? THERE'S THE CAMERA. LOOK AT MARY IN THE
2 NEWSPAPER.

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4 **SPEAKER:** RIGHT HERE! [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND NOW WE HAVE LITTLE SOPHIA, A
7 LITTLE GIRL WHO'S EIGHT MONTHS OLD, COMES WITH A YELLOW BOW.
8 SHE'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO ANYBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT
9 LITTLE SOPHIA? CALL 562-728-4610. ANYBODY OUT THERE? I SEE A
10 LOT OF HAPPY FACES. MARK DOESN'T TAKE HIM. OKAY, OKAY. WHEN I
11 LEAVE THE BOARD, I WILL DESIGNATE SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
12 THOMAS TO BE IN CHARGE OF THE PETS' ADOPTION.

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14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
15 ALL IN FAVOR, WE ARE ADJOURNED.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, MAY I
20 CALL TO YOUR ATTENTION THAT WE HAVE SEVERAL SPECIAL GUESTS
21 WITH US TODAY. THEY ARE 30 PLUS STUDENTS, INTERNATIONAL
22 STUDENTS WHO ARE ATTENDING MOREHOUSE COLLEGE AND SPELMAN
23 COLLEGE. THEY ARE WITH US OBSERVING THE PROCEEDINGS TODAY.
24 THEY HAIL FROM THE CONTINENT OF AFRICA SPECIFICALLY
25 REPRESENTING THE COUNTRIES OF ZIMBABWE, LE SOTO, THE REPUBLIC

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1 OF THE CONGO, UGANDA, BURUNDI AND RWANDA. THEY ARE CURRENTLY
2 ENROLLED, AS I INDICATED AT MOREHOUSE AND SPELMAN. AND THEY
3 ARE IN LOS ANGELES FOR SOME THREE WEEKS. AND THESE YOUNG MEN
4 AND WOMEN REPRESENT THE BEST OF THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES.
5 MANY OF THEM ARE RECIPIENTS OF SCHOLARSHIPS SUCH AS THE ANDREW
6 YOUNG INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP AND THE PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS
7 FROM RWANDA IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WILLIAM J. CLINTON
8 FOUNDATION. THEIR HOSTS ARE THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE LOS
9 ANGELES MOREHOUSE PARENTS AND THE MOREHOUSE ALUMNI
10 ASSOCIATION. THEY ARE HERE. WE ARE DELIGHTED TO HAVE THEM
11 HERE. WE EXTEND TO THEM OUR WARMEST WELCOME. I'M GOING TO ASK
12 ALL OF THEM TO STAND SO THAT WE CAN GIVE THEM A WARM ROUND OF
13 APPLAUSE. WON'T YOU STAND? [APPLAUSE.] BIG, BIG ROUND OF
14 APPLAUSE FOR THESE FINE STUDENTS. AND THEY ARE HOSTED AND SEEN
15 THROUGH BY THE ONE AND ONLY BOBBETTE GLOVER WHO IS A FORMER
16 COUNTY EMPLOYEE. SO WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR BEING HERE.
17 GIVE A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE AND WE THANK HER FOR HER
18 LEADERSHIP TODAY, ONE AND ONLY BOBBETTE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
19 [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. OKAY. WE'RE
22 GOING TO CALL UP GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, 22, 43, CS-4. ARNOLD
23 SACHS, 1-D, 15, 18, 30, 31. ERIC PREVEN, 1-D, 1-H, 1, 4, 6, 8,
24 10, 22, 27, 28, 31.

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** HAPPY NEW YEAR. IT IS ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY
2 RESIDENT FOR DISTRICT 3 ALSO CANDIDATE FOR CD2 ELECTION OF THE
3 CITY. CONGRATULATIONS OBVIOUSLY ARE IN ORDER FOR LOS VERDES,
4 THE GOLF COURSE THAT WAS AWARDED AGAIN FOR THREE OUT OF FOUR
5 YEARS. I STILL HAVE SUBSTANTIAL CONCERNS ABOUT THE OWNERSHIP
6 OF THAT FACILITY AND WE'LL GET INTO THAT AT ANOTHER TIME. I
7 WANT TO SAY HOW PLEASED I AM THE JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM IS
8 OUTSTANDING. AND THESE YOUNG WINNERS ARE AMAZING. WHEN I HEARD
9 THOSE NUMBERS, EACH YEAR I AM IMPRESSED. AND I ALSO SAY ONE
10 QUICK WORD. THE C.I.F. CHAMPIONS, AMAZING. IT'S SO POWERFUL TO
11 SEE A GROUP OF YOUNG PEOPLE ACHIEVE SO MUCH. NOW, JOB ORDER
12 CONTRACTING IS SOMETHING THAT THE COUNTY HAS BEEN ROLLING UP
13 ITS SLEEVES AND GETTING INTO. AND ITEM 1-D TODAY, THE JOB
14 ORDER CONTRACT FOR 4.5 MILLION, I'M CONCERNED BECAUSE THERE
15 ARE TWO ACTUALLY FOR UP TO 4.5 MILLION, IT'S WORLDWIDE
16 CONSTRUCTION HAS WON AGAIN. NOW, THIS GROUP BEAT THE OTHER
17 COMPETITORS BY OFFERING TO DO THE JOB AT 53 CENTS ON THE
18 DOLLAR. NOW, WHEN SOMEONE TRIES TO DO WORK FOR MR. RIDLEY-
19 THOMAS OR MR. PREVEN OR MR. ANTONOVICH FOR 53 CENTS ON THE
20 DOLLAR, WE ASK: HOW ARE YOU GOING TO DO THAT? HOW ARE YOU
21 GOING TO DO THAT? I MEAN, HOW CAN YOU DO IT FOR 53 CENTS ON
22 THE DOLLAR IS THE QUESTION THAT SOMEBODY WHO HIRES A
23 CONTRACTOR WANTS TO KNOW. WELL, I ASK SEAN ROGAN WHO SAID I
24 DON'T CARE. SO THAT WAS A RED FLAG FOR ME. BUT IT'S NOT JUST
25 IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. THIS PROGRAM, JOB

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1 ORDER CONTRACTING BROUGHT TO YOU BY GORDIAN GROUP OUT OF SOUTH
2 CAROLINA IS BEING ROLLED OUT IN OTHER DEPARTMENTS IN COUNTY
3 AND HAS BEEN FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. PUBLIC WORKS, JACOB
4 WILLIAMS IS WELL INFORMED AND CAN WORK WITH SOMBODY IN THE
5 C.E.O. TODAY WE HAVE MISS HAMAI SITTING IN THAT CHAIR. SHE'S
6 FAMILIAR WITH JOB ORDER CONTRACTING, I ASSUME. BUT IT NEEDS TO
7 BE LOOKED AT FROM THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE SO THAT WE CAN TIGHTEN
8 UP, MAKE SURE LABOR COMPLIANCE IS APPROPRIATE, MAKE SURE THAT
9 WE ARE NOT BEING CHARGED FOR WORK THAT IS NOT REPETITIVE WORK
10 FOR EXAMPLE, THE LIBRARY PROGRAM WE ARE DOING OUT IN MR.
11 ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICT IF I GOT IT CORRECT IS A \$4.4 MILLION
12 PROJECT BUT IT'S BEING DONE ON A JOB ORDER CONTRACT. MAKES NO
13 SENSE TO ME. SO I WILL SAY IN COMPLIMENT TO MAYOR ANTONOVICH,
14 ITEM NO. 4 IS A \$50,000 PLUS GIFT FOR THE VOLUNTEERS OF THE
15 COUNTY, WHICH I THINK IS REALLY, REALLY NICELY DONE. IT'S
16 FULLY DISCLOSED HOW MUCH IS BEING SPENT AND I THINK THAT'S
17 APPROPRIATE. ONE MINOR NOTE FOR THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE. ON THE
18 BOARD'S WEBSITE TODAY, THERE IS STILL A PICTURE OF MR.
19 YAROSLAVSKY AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA. I THINK IT'S BEEN ENOUGH
20 TIME TO PULL THAT DOWN AND PUT UP THE NEW SUPERVISORS. I THINK
21 WE WOULD REALLY APPRECIATE SEEING THAT. AND, FINALLY, I WANT
22 TO SAY ITEM 6 IS REALLY GREAT PIECE OF BUSINESS. IT'S OUR
23 BOOKMARK CONTEST IN THE LIBRARY. AND I LOVE THE WAY THIS IS
24 BEING CONDUCTED. IT'S SIMPLY A PARKING GRANT FOR THE PEOPLE TO
25 COME DOWN AND CELEBRATE THESE WONDERFUL KIDS WHO DO GREAT

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1 WORK. LET'S ALSO LOOK AT SOME TYPE OF A CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
2 PARKING SUBSIDY BECAUSE WE, TOO, ARE VOLUNTEERS. WE COME DOWN
3 AND IT'S HARD TO PARK DOWN HERE. IT WOULD BE A GREAT STEP
4 FORWARD. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GENEVIEVE?

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8 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
9 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. AND HAPPY NEW YEAR. I HOPE THIS YEAR
10 WILL BE A MUCH MORE OPEN GOVERNMENT TYPE GOING ON. ON S-1, THE
11 REPORT WAS NOT AVAILABLE ON THE WEB. AND, YOU KNOW, THAT'S
12 HAPPENED QUITE OFTEN THAT NONE OF THE REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE.
13 NOT ONLY IT IS ACCORDING TO THE BROWN ACT BUT ALSO IT WAS A
14 LAW PASSED IN CALIFORNIA REQUESTING THAT ALL DOCUMENTS BE
15 PROVIDED BEFORE THE MEETINGS. ON ITEM 7 ABOUT THE FOSTER
16 CHILDREN, I REALLY LIKE THAT ITEM BECAUSE I THINK WE NEED TO
17 PROVIDE CHILDREN BETTER CARE. AND SURVEY WHAT KIND OF CARE
18 THEY ARE ALREADY RECEIVING AND NOT JUST, YOU KNOW, TALKS. ON
19 ITEM 43, ABOUT U.S.C., WHEN YOU HAVE A PATIENT ADMITTED TO A
20 HOSPITAL BECAUSE OF FALLS, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO PREVENT
21 FALLS. AND APPARENTLY THAT DID NOT HAPPEN AND WE HAVE BEEN,
22 YOU KNOW, HURT FOR THAT. ON CS-4, YOU KNOW, I AM NOT SAYING IN
23 THE PAST, BUT EVERY WEEK WE HAVE CLOSED SESSION. WHEN IT IS
24 MENTION THAT HAD THE DEPARTMENT HEAD WILL BE EVALUATED. AND WE
25 ARE NEVER PROVIDED THE NAME OF THAT PERSON. ALSO DEPARTMENT

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1 BEING REVIEWED. AND ACCORDING TO THE BROWN ACT, THIS IS NOT
2 THE WAY TO DO IT. AND I WOULD LIKE TO START THIS NEW YEAR
3 FORWARD DOING THE RIGHT THING. AND THAT'S UNDER CODE SECTION
4 54954.5 WHICH SPECIFY THAT THE NAME OF THE EMPLOYEE ALSO
5 DEPARTMENT BEING LOOKED AT BE DIVULGED. SO LET'S MOVE FORWARD
6 DOING THE RIGHT THING. AND ALSO ON ITEM 49, WHICH IS GOING TO
7 COME BACK FOR DISCUSSION, AGAIN, THE REPORT WAS NOT AVAILABLE.
8 AND WHEN YOU HAVE THE SUBJECT LIKE S.E.A. REPORT AND HOW WE
9 COULD IMPLEMENT IT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IT WOULD BE
10 EXTREMELY BENEFICIAL TO HAVE THE INFORMATION THAT'S GOING TO
11 BE PROVIDED TO BE GIVEN THE REPORT 10 MINUTES BEFORE THE BOARD
12 MEETING IS ASININE. IT HAPPENS ALL THE TIME. SO I WOULD REALLY
13 LIKE THAT TO BE SENT IN THE FUTURE. AND ESPECIALLY DR. KATZ IS
14 VERY GOOD ABOUT NEVER PROVIDING THE REPORT ON TIME. AND ALSO I
15 FEEL THE SAME WAY ABOUT SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SOLIS. IT WOULD
16 BE NICE THAT THEIR NAME BE ON THE T.V. SPOT, LIKE A PICTURE OF
17 IT IF YOU WANT TO SEE IT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS AND A
22 HAPPY NEW YEAR. LET'S GET OFF TO A BANG. I DID HOLD SEVERAL
23 ITEMS. I HELD ITEM 7. AND IT ACTUALLY REFERS TO S-1. YOU HAVE
24 THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES. I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT
25 7 IS HEALTH SERVICES, PART OF THE TRANSITION TEAM ISN'T PART

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1 OF THE BLUE RIBBON D.C.F.S. ITEM ON S-1. ON 49 YOU HAVE THE
2 AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE DISCUSSION WHERE YOU HAVE THE C.E.O. AND
3 THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES MAKING A PRESENTATION THERE.
4 WHY DON'T YOU HAVE THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES MAKE A
5 PRESENTATION WITH THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION? I HELD ITEM 15.
6 IT'S REGARDING SOME SECURITY POLICIES AND SOME
7 CLASSIFICATIONS. SO I WAS WONDERING: WILL THAT INCLUDE
8 RECLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS? YOU KNOW, I KNOW YOU DON'T GIVE
9 PAY RAISES, BUT YOU ALWAYS MANAGE TO DO RECLASSIFICATION OF
10 POSITION ACCORDING TO SOME STUDIES WHO NOBODY EVER AUTHORIZES
11 BUT THEY'RE DONE AND RECLASSIFICATIONS TAKE PLACE, LEVELS GO
12 FROM R10 TO R11, R12, R14 OR R-WHATEVER AND IT ONLY COSTS THE
13 COUNTY MONEY. BUT IT'S NOT A PAY RAISE. IT'S RECLASSIFICATION
14 OF A POSITION. I HELD ITEM 10 AND 1-D. 1-D REFERS TO TWO JOB
15 ORDER CONTRACTS, NO. 22 AND 23. AND 18 REFERS TO 10 JOB ORDER
16 CONTRACTS, EACH ONE IS \$4.5 MILLION. SO BACK TO 1-D, WHICH IS
17 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, WE KNOW HOW OUTSTANDING THEY
18 ARE, THAT'S 22 AND 23. HOW MANY MORE JOB ORDER CONTRACTS DO
19 THEY HAVE FOR \$4.5 MILLION COMPARED TO THE OTHER 10 JOB ORDER
20 CONTRACTS WHICH TOTAL \$45 MILLION? I HELD ITEM 30. GUESS WHAT?
21 GRAFFITI REMOVAL. ANYBODY, ANYBODY BEEN ON THE BLUE LINE
22 LATELY? YOU BEEN ON THE BLUE LINE LATELY, MISS KUEHL? HOW
23 ABOUT YOU, MISS SOLIS? BEEN ON THE BLUE LINE LATELY? BLUE
24 LINE, BLUE LINE. TRY THE BLUE LINE. CHECK OUT THE GRAFFITI ON
25 THAT. CHECK OUT THE QUALITY OF LIFE THAT PEOPLE, THE HEAVIEST

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1 TRAVELED TRANSPORTATION LINE, CHECK OUT THE QUALITY OF LIFE
2 THERE. FIVE YEARS BEEN TALKING ABOUT THAT. I WON'T EVEN
3 DISCUSS SOME OF THE GRAFFITI THAT WAS ON THERE THAT GOT MR.
4 RIDLEY-THOMAS WHO IS NOT IN HERE SO UPSET. I EVEN OFFERED TO
5 GIVE HIM A DAY PASS. WOULDN'T TAKE IT. CHECK OUT THE GRAFFITI.
6 DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT. BECAUSE I HELD ITEM 31, IT REFERS TO
7 PAYING FOR AN AIR HANDLER REPLACEMENT. YOU HAVE TO PAY FOR
8 THAT. WITH A GAS BAG REPLACEMENTS, YOU HAVE AN ELECTION.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS.
11 SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** AND THAT WILL BE FOR ITEMS
14 1-D, 1-H, 1, 4, 6, 8, 10, 15, 18, 22, 27, 28, 30, 31 AND 43.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO ORDERED. WE'LL DO OUR SPECIALS
17 BECAUSE WE HAVE A SET ITEM AT 11. SO WE'LL BEGIN WITH THE
18 FOURTH DISTRICT. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I HAVE
21 SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL, THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
22 OF A LONGTIME FRIEND, CHUCK HANSON, A LONGTIME WHITTIER
23 RESIDENT WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 91. HE GREW UP
24 IN WEST HOLLYWOOD, WAS BORN IN MASSACHUSETTS. AFTER RECEIVING
25 HIS DOCTORATE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA BERKELEY,

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1 CHUCK JOINED THE NAVY, WAS AN OFFICER, SAW ACTIVE DUTY DURING
2 WORLD WAR II. AFTER THE WAR, HE MARRIED MARY AND SETTLED IN
3 WHITTIER, RAISING THEIR TWO CHILDREN, ERIC AND CHRISTINA. HE
4 WAS VERY PROMINENT IN WHITTIER COMMUNITY, SERVED AS CHAIRMAN
5 OF THE PARKS AND REC COMMISSION, PARTICIPATED IN "SAVE THE
6 WHITTIER HILLS." WAS ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE ROTARY CLUB.
7 CHAMBER, HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND HABITAT AUTHORITY CITY'S
8 TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE. HE RECEIVED NUMEROUS
9 RECOGNITIONS FOR HIS DEDICATION AND WORK IN THE COMMUNITY.
10 MOST OF ALL, CHUCK LOVED HIS FAMILY. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
11 MARY, BROTHERS JIM AND DICK, SONS ERIC AND HIS SON ERIC AND
12 SIX GRANDCHILDREN. HE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW
13 HIM. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DARRELL HAYS, WHO PASSED
14 AWAY RECENTLY AT HIS HOME IN LAKEWOOD, WAS BORN IN FORT
15 COLLINS, COLORADO, GREW UP IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, GRADUATED
16 FROM WILSON HIGH SCHOOL IN LONG BEACH AND WAS A WORLD WAR II
17 ARMY VETERAN. MARRIED LUCILLE IN 1947, 40-YEAR CAREER WITH
18 OCCIDENTAL LIFE BEFORE RETIRING IN 1987. WAS VERY ACTIVE WITH
19 THE Y.M.C.A. OF LONG BEACH. ALSO AFTER RETIRING, HE BOUGHT AND
20 RESTORED TWO VINTAGE NASH METROPOLITAN CARS WHICH ARE VERY
21 PROMINENT IN THE CITY OF EL SEGUNDO. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
22 DAUGHTER CYNTHIA, SON RANDALL, TWO GRAND DAUGHTERS, TWO GREAT
23 GRAND DAUGHTERS, AND SEVERAL NIECES AND NEPHEWS AND MANY
24 FRIENDS. HE WILL TRULY BE MISSED. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN
25 MEMORY OF A DEAR FRIEND, BETTE LEESTMA WHO PASSED AWAY ON

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1 JANUARY 4TH. SPECIAL LADY WILL TRULY BE MISSED BY FAMILY AND
2 FRIENDS. BETTE WAS THE WIFE OF OUR FORMER PASTOR WHO PASSED
3 AWAY A FEW YEARS AGO. SHE WAS A VERY SPECIAL LADY. SHE IS
4 SURVIVED BY HER TWO DAUGHTERS, PAM AND MARY. TWO SONS, DAN AND
5 MARK. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SEAN MICHAEL BECK,
6 PASSED AWAY AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 29. BORN IN HARBOR CITY,
7 ATTENDED KENTWOOD ELEMENTARY IN WESTCHESTER. IN HIGH SCHOOL IN
8 CULVER CITY. HE MAJORED IN ART. HE WAS A VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF
9 THE HOPE CHAPEL DEL REY FOR 25 YEARS. SERVED IN THE YOUTH
10 MINISTRY, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL. PLAYED SANTA CLAUS FOR MANY
11 YEARS FOR THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY. HE LOVED WRESTLING,
12 BOWLING, MOVIES, COMIC BOOKS AND CHURCH FAMILY. HE WILL BE
13 MISSED BY FAMILY AND FRIENDS, SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS,
14 ELIZABETH AND STEVE, THREE BROTHERS, THREE SISTERS AND MANY
15 NIECES AND NEPHEWS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF YOLANDA
16 MENDOZA, SISTER OF CALIFORNIA STATE SENATOR TONY MENDOZA WHO
17 PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 15TH AT THE AGE OF 60. AT THE YOUNG
18 AGE OF 17, SHE AND FELIPE JOINED LIVES TOGETHER TO FORM A 43-
19 YEAR MARRIAGE. SHE LOVED HER FAMILY AND DEVOTED HERSELF FULLY
20 TO GUIDE AND CARE FOR HER FIVE CHILDREN. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
21 HER HUSBAND FILIPE, SONS PHILIP, JAVIER, ERIC, DAUGHTER SYLVIA
22 AND MARIBEL AND HER MOTHER, BROTHER, SISTERS AND GRANDCHILD.
23 SHE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW AND LOVED HER. ALSO THIS IS
24 A TRAGIC ONE, AS WELL. WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TIM MITCHELL.
25 CITY OF AVALON HARBOR PATROL ASSISTANT, ASSISTANT FIREFIGHTER

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1 WHO MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE IN THE LINE OF DUTY AS HE
2 VALIANTLY SERVED HIS COMMUNITY DEFENDING LIFE AND PROPERTY ON
3 DECEMBER 30TH IN THE BIG STORM THAT HIT AVALON HARBOR. HE WAS
4 ONLY 39 YEARS OLD. HE WAS ON DUTY WORKING ON A PATROL BOAT
5 TRYING TO PROTECT VISITORS, RESIDENTS AND BOATS THAT WERE
6 BEING BATTERED BY SOME 45 MILES PER HOUR GUSTS AND WAVES
7 DESCENDED UPON THE CITY. HE DIED AS HE TRIED TO SAVE THE KING
8 NEPTUNE, A BOAT UPON WHICH HE HAD ALSO SERVED AS A DIVE
9 INSTRUCTOR FOR APPROXIMATELY THE LAST 10 YEARS. HE WAS A
10 NATIVE OF NEW ZEALAND AND RECENTLY BECAME A UNITED STATES
11 CITIZEN. HE HELD DEGREES IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES AND SOCIOLOGY,
12 WAS AN ACCOMPLISHED MUSICIAN PLAYING MULTIPLE INSTRUMENTS.
13 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, FATHER, TWO BROTHERS, MICHELLE
14 RODRIGUEZ HIS GIRLFRIEND. HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW
15 HIM. TRAGEDY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ANOTHER VICTIM
16 OF THAT STORM AND THAT'S BRUCE RYDER, A 20-YEAR RESIDENT OF
17 AVALON WHO DIED ON HIS BOAT AS IT WAS BATTED ABOUT ON THE
18 STORM ON DECEMBER 30TH. HE WAS ALSO KNOWN AS TAZ, AS HE WAS
19 KNOWN FOR DOING EVERYTHING REALLY FAST. HE WAS A DIVE MASTER,
20 A BOAT CAPTAIN WHO ENTERTAINED APPROXIMATELY 1,000 DIVE BOAT
21 CUSTOMERS OVER THE YEARS. HE OWNED AND OPERATED HEAD PUMPING
22 SERVICE IN AVALON HARBOR FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND WORKED FOR THE
23 AVALON MOORING SERVICE. HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM.
24 ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EMILY VASQUEZ, THE BELOVED AUNT
25 OF MY CHIEF OF STAFF RICK VELASQUEZ AND A LONG TIME RESIDENT

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1 OF VENTURA WHO PASSED AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY ON DECEMBER 29TH. SHE
2 WAS 87. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTERS, VIRGINIA, LYN AND
3 HELEN. SON TONY, BROTHER RICHARD. MANY GRANDCHILDREN AND GREAT
4 GRANDCHILD, NUMEROUS NIECES AND NEPHEWS. WE'D LIKE TO SEND OUR
5 SINCEREST CONDOLENCES TO RICK AND HIS FAMILY DURING THIS MOST
6 DIFFICULT TIME. FINALLY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF REVEREND OBED
7 NESHEIM WHO SERVED AT ST. MARK LUTHERAN CHURCH AND SCHOOL IN
8 HACIENDA HEIGHTS FOR 29 YEARS BEFORE HIS RETIREMENT. HE PASSED
9 AWAY RECENTLY. HE WAS A LIFE LONG SUPPORTER OF CHRISTIAN
10 EDUCATION. HIS EARLY YEARS OF ST. MARK HE SERVED AS PASTOR AND
11 PRINCIPAL FROM 1964 TO 1970. EVEN AFTER HIS RETIREMENT, HE
12 SUPPORTED THE SCHOOL AND CARED FOR THE PARISHIONERS. HE IS
13 SURVIVED BY WIFE DONNA, TWO SONS, MIKE AND PAUL, FOUR
14 GRANDCHILDREN. MR. MAYOR, THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
17 ORDERED. I'D ALSO LIKE TO MOVE, MEMBERS, NEW YORK CITY POLICE
18 OFFICERS WENJIAN LIU AND RAFAEL RAMOS WHO WERE TRAGICALLY
19 KILLED ON DECEMBER 20TH. OFFICER LIU JOINED THE NEW YORK CITY
20 POLICE DEPARTMENT SEVEN YEARS AGO, AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
21 WIFE OF TWO MONTHS. HE WAS 32 YEARS OLD. OFFICER RAFAEL RAMOS
22 WAS ALSO KILLED. HE JOINED THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 2012 AFTER
23 WORKING AS A SCHOOL SECURITY OFFICER. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY
24 HIS WIFE AND HIS TWO SONS AND HE WAS 40 YEARS OLD. I'D ALSO
25 LIKE TO MOVE -- ALL MEMBERS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO MOVE IN MEMORY

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1 OF SENATOR EDWARD BROOKE, FORMER UNITED STATES SENATOR, WHO
2 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. HE WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN-
3 AMERICAN SENATOR IN U.S. HISTORY TO WIN POPULAR ELECTION TO
4 THE SENATE IN 1966. PRIOR TO THAT, WE HAD AFRICAN-AMERICAN
5 SENATORS WHO WERE APPOINTED BY THE LEGISLATORS AFTER THE CIVIL
6 WAR. BROOKE RECEIVED THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM IN A
7 WHITE HOUSE CEREMONY IN 2004 AND RECEIVED THE CONGRESSIONAL
8 GOLD MEDAL FIVE YEARS LATER. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ANNE
9 AND THEIR SON EDWARD, JR. AND DAUGHTERS AND HIS STEPDAUGHTER.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL MEMBERS, MR. MAYOR. ALL MEMBERS ON
12 SENATOR BROOK.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL MEMBERS ON SENATOR BROOK. A DEAR
15 FRIEND WHO ALSO PASSED AWAY YESTERDAY WAS DR. MARTIN ANDERSON.
16 MARTY ANDERSON IS A PERSON I HAD WORKED WITH IN THE PAST. HE
17 IS A GRADUATE OF M.I.T., DARTMOUTH UNIVERSITY AND M.I.T. WHERE
18 HE RECEIVED HIS PH.D. HE WAS THE YOUNGEST TENURED FACULTY
19 PROFESSOR AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY AFTER HE GRADUATED AND HE WAS
20 TEACHING. AND THEN HE WENT TO WORK WITH PRESIDENT NIXON. HE
21 WAS THE PERSON WHO HELPED SHAPE THE ENDING OF THE DRAFT AND
22 FOR ALL-VOLUNTEER MILITARY. HE LATER, THROUGH HIS SPAN OF FOUR
23 DECADES, HE WAS AT THE HOOVER INSTITUTE IN STANFORD UNIVERSITY
24 WHERE HE HAD SERVED ALONG THAT WAY PRESIDENTS NIXON, FORD,
25 REAGAN, GEORGE H.W. BUSH AND HE ALSO WAS A CLOSE ADVISER TO

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1 REAGAN AND HIS WIFE, DR. ANNE LISE MARTIN. AND THEY WORKED
2 TIRELESSLY TO SHARE THE FORMER PRESIDENT'S LEGACY BY
3 PUBLISHING MULTIPLE VOLUMES ON PRESIDENT REAGAN AND HIS LIFE
4 WHICH INCLUDED MOST OF REAGAN'S OWN WRITINGS. AND THEY HAVE A
5 NEW BOOK THAT'S COMING OUT IN FEBRUARY BY THE HOOVER INSTITUTE
6 THAT WILL BE PUBLISHED AND RELEASED BY THE HOOVER INSTITUTION.
7 HE WAS BORN IN MASSACHUSETTS AND AS I SAID GRADUATED FROM
8 DARTMOUTH AND THEN WENT ON TO M.I.T. WHERE HE RECEIVED HIS
9 DOCTORATE DEGREE. HE WORKED AS A SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO
10 PRESIDENT NIXON AND THEN AS A SPECIAL CONSULTANT FROM 1969 TO
11 1971 WHERE HE BECAME A SENIOR FELLOW AT THE HOOVER INSTITUTE.
12 IN 1980 HE WAS A SENIOR POLICY ADVISER TO REAGAN DURING THE
13 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN AND WAS HIS ASSISTANT FOR POLICY
14 DEVELOPMENT WHERE HE WAS A MAJOR CONTRIBUTOR TO REAGAN'S
15 ECONOMIC POLICIES AND POLICIES ON MISSILE DEFENSE. HIS FIRST
16 BOOK, "THE FEDERAL BULLDOZER: A CRITICAL ANALYSIS OF URBAN
17 RENEWAL" A GROUND BREAKING EFFORT TO EVALUATE PROGRAMS. HE
18 ALSO WROTE ON MILITARY DRAFT, WELFARE REFORM, ECONOMIC POLICY
19 AND UNIVERSITY EDUCATION. THEODORE WHITE, THE PRESIDENTIAL
20 HISTORIAN, STATED THAT ANDERSON GAVE ORIENTATION TO THE REAGAN
21 CAMPAIGN. IT WAS ANDERSON WHO SHAPED THE OVERRIDING THEMES,
22 THE ECONOMIC DISCIPLINE AND POLITICAL TURN-AROUND. HE CO-
23 EDITED SEVERAL COLLECTIONS OF REAGAN'S WRITINGS, INCLUDING
24 "REAGAN IN HIS OWN HAND," "REAGAN A LIFE IN LETTERS," AND THEN
25 HE WROTE WITH ANNALISE "REAGAN'S SECRET WAR, THE UNTOLD STORY

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1 TO SAVE THE WORLD FROM NUCLEAR DISASTER." HE SERVED ON A
2 NUMBER OF COMMITTEES. AND I WAS PRESIDENT REAGAN'S APPOINTEE
3 TO WRITE THE REPUBLICAN PLATFORM FOR CALIFORNIA AT THE
4 NATIONAL CONVENTION WHEN REAGAN RAN THE FIRST TIME FOR
5 PRESIDENT. AND MARTY WAS A GREAT ASSISTANT. HE ALSO WAS THE
6 ONE WHO GOT INVOLVED WITH GETTING DR. GREENSPAN INVOLVED WITH
7 THE APPOINTMENT TO THE -- DURING PRESIDENT NIXON'S
8 ADMINISTRATION AND THEN HE MOVED UP TO SERVING BASICALLY ALL
9 THE PRESIDENTS UP TO STILL, I GUESS, BEING AN ADVISER TO THE
10 CURRENT PRESIDENT. SO I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN IN HIS MEMORY.
11 ALSO SISTER MARY ADELE ST. CYR PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93.
12 SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE SISTERS OF CARONDELET THAT MY LATE
13 AUNT WAS A MEMBER OF. SHE SERVED 34 YEARS IN CATHOLIC
14 ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SISTER TERRY.
15 A GREAT LADY, ETHEL ENGSTROM FROM ALTADENA. 108 YEARS OLD
16 PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 14TH. ETHYL WOULD GO EACH YEAR AND
17 PARTICIPATED WITH THE BRIGHT SCHOLARS PROGRAM THAT DR. THOMAS
18 OF ALTADENA WAS INVOLVED WITH. AND SHE WAS A GREAT INSPIRATION
19 TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE THAT'S GRADES 9 THROUGH 12 APPEARING ALL
20 THE TIME AT THEIR GRADUATIONS AND OTHER EVENTS. SHE WAS A REAL
21 HERO. AND SHE ACTUALLY DIED WITH HER BOOTS ON. SHE WAS ACTIVE
22 UNTIL 108. GOOD FRIEND, GUILFORD GLAZER, DEVELOPER OF THE DEL
23 OMA FASHION CENTER, PHILANTHROPIST WHO FUNDED JEWISH STUDIES
24 PROGRAMS AT SCHOOLS INCLUDING PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY AND
25 UNIVERSITY IN CHINA, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. HE WAS A

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1 CLASSMATE OF SENATOR HOWARD BAKER FROM TENNESSEE. THEY WERE
2 FROM TENNESSEE. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, DIANNE, AND
3 TWO CHILDREN. RABBI HAROLD SCHULWEIS, ONE OF THE MOST
4 INFLUENTIAL SYNAGOGUE LEADERS PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 18TH AT
5 THE AGE OF 89. HE LED THE VALLEY BETH SHALOM SYNAGOGUE AND THE
6 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY FOR NEARLY 45 YEARS AND HAD ESTABLISHED
7 THE JEWISH FOUNDATION FOR RELIGIOUS RIGHTEOUSNESS AND WAS
8 AMONG THE FIRST RABBIS IN THE CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENT OF
9 AMERICAN JUDAISM. HE AUTHORED 9 BOOKS AND HUNDREDS OF ARTICLES
10 OF POST HOLOCAUST JEWISH THEOLOGY AND WON MANY AWARDS,
11 INCLUDING THE ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER MEDAL, UNITED SYNAGOGUE
12 SOCIAL ACTION AWARD OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S JOHN ALLEN
13 HUMANITARIAN AWARD AS WELL AS HONORARY DEGREE FROM HEBREW
14 UNION COLLEGE.

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16 **SUP. KUEHL:** MR. MAYOR, I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN ON THAT ONE, IF I
17 MAY.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. AND DR. MAHER HATHOUT, A LOCAL
20 MUSLIM ADVOCATE FOR INTERFAITH DIALOGUE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
21 OF 79. HE WAS A CARDIOLOGIST. HE PASSED AWAY AT CEDARS OF
22 LEBANON HOSPITAL. HE WAS ALSO CHAIRMAN OF THE ISLAMIC CENTER
23 OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND FOUNDER OF THE MUSLIM PUBLIC
24 AFFAIRS COUNCIL. HE WAS INVOLVED IN WORKING WITH MEMBERS FROM
25 THE CHRISTIAN AND JEWISH FAITHS ON INTERFAITH DIALOGUE.

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1 STANLEY DAVID HAYDEN, RESIDENT OF SAN MARINO PASSED AWAY ON
2 DECEMBER 16TH. HE WAS PRESIDENT OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES, SERVED
3 ON THE BOARDS OF MAYFIELD SCHOOL BOARD, MAYFIELD SENIOR
4 SCHOOL, LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL AND THE WILLIAM R. AND VIRGINIA
5 HAYDEN FOUNDATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN.
6 IDA LOMBARDI, RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, PASSED AWAY AT
7 THE AGE OF 93. QUITE ACTIVE IN OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
8 CATHOLIC CHURCH, SURVIVED BY HER TWO SIBLINGS AND FIVE
9 CHILDREN. LEONIE MALBURG PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. SERVED
10 ON THE BOARD OF SISTERS SERVANTS OF MARY. SURVIVED BY HER
11 HUSBAND OF 57 YEARS, TWO CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN. ARNOLD
12 PAUL PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90. HE WAS WORLD WAR II IN THE
13 UNITED STATES ARMY VETERAN. HE OWNED THE BOWLING ALLEY AND THE
14 HANDY J CAR WASH. AND HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN.
15 NEIL PURKY, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF PALMDALE. AVIATOR DURING
16 WORLD WAR II. WAS THE DIRECTOR OF PHARMACIES AT ANTELOPE
17 VALLEY HOSPITAL FOR 33 YEARS. AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
18 AND CHILDREN. ANOTHER DOCTOR, DR. RIO, FRED RIO, LONGTIME
19 RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
20 83. HE HAD BEEN A LIEUTENANT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY. AFTER
21 PURSUING A CAREER OF MEDICINE, HE WAS THE CHIEF OF STAFF OF
22 HENRY MAYO HOSPITAL MEMORIAL WHERE HE ALSO SERVED AS CHIEF OF
23 SURGERY FOR SEVEN YEARS. MELBA JOSEPHINE WALKER FISHER, PASSED
24 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 98 FROM SANTA CLARITA. SHE WAS A VOLUNTEER
25 AT THE SENIOR CENTER AND INTERVIEWED MANY TIMES ON THE HISTORY

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1 OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. WILLIAM BETZ, RETIRED SERGEANT,
2 LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT
3 WAS CRESCENTA VALLEY STATION. CARL BEAMER, RETIRED SERGEANT,
4 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE WAS WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
5 MARSHAL'S OFFICE. HIS LAST RETIRED FROM THE WEST COVINA COURT.
6 DOLORES SALAZAR, WORKED FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFFS,
7 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES FOR 10 YEARS. AND
8 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND CARLOS AND HER SISTER CECILIA.
9 BOTH DOLORES AND SISTER CECILIA WHO ALSO RECENTLY RETIRED WERE
10 VERY STRONG, GOOD PEOPLE AND VERY GOOD COUNTY EMPLOYEES. DALE
11 SHETLY, RETIRED DEPUTY SHERIFF, PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER 12.
12 HIS ASSIGNMENT WAS WITH THE COMMUNICATIONS AND FLEET
13 MANAGEMENT BUREAU. JEANETTE DELUCA SKZYNEAR WAS A LOVING
14 MOTHER FULL OF LAUGHTER AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER THREE
15 DAUGHTERS. DENNIS WINGET PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 73. SERVED
16 IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY. AND THEN WENT TO WORK WITH THE
17 DELUXE CHECK PRINTER FOR 34 YEARS. AND FORMER GOVERNOR JAMES
18 B. EDWARDS WHO WAS SECRETARY OF ENERGY IN THE REAGAN
19 ADMINISTRATION AND ALSO FORMER UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN
20 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 87. HE SERVED IN THE U.S. MERCHANT
21 MARINES IN WORLD WAR II AS A NAVAL RESERVE OFFICER DURING THE
22 KOREAN WAR AND WAS A DOCTOR GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
23 LOUISVILLE IN DENTISTRY WHERE HE STARTED HIS ORAL SURGERY
24 PRACTICE IN CHARLESTON. AND HE SERVED IN THE STATE SENATE,
25 ELECTED GOVERNOR AND THEN BECAME PRESIDENT IN THE MEDICAL

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1 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA WHERE HE WAS PRESIDENT OF THE
2 MEDICAL SCHOOL FOR 17 YEARS AND IN 2010, THE MEDICAL
3 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA NAMED THEIR DENTAL SCHOOL THE
4 JAMES B. EDWARDS COLLEGE OF GENERAL MEDICINE. HE'S SURVIVED BY
5 HIS WIFE ANNE AND TWO CHILDREN. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MARK
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. FIRST DISTRICT?

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8 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES, I HAVE TWO ADJOURNMENTS. I'D LIKE TO MOVE
9 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JUANITO
10 RIVAS, A LIFELONG RESIDENT OF THE CITY OF LA PUENTE. HE PASSED
11 AWAY TRAGICALLY IN A CAR ACCIDENT AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 20 ON
12 DECEMBER 18TH THIS PAST YEAR. HE WAS A VERY PROUD UNCLE WHO
13 LOVED TO SPEND TIME WITH HIS TWIN NIECES. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS
14 PARENTS, JUAN AND CECI RIVERA AND TWO SISTERS, REYNA AND
15 JESSICA AND HIS TWO LOVELY NIECES. HE WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY
16 HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. I ALSO MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
17 SUPERVISORS ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GREAT MAN, SOMEONE WHOM MY
18 COMMUNITY REMEMBERED AS "THE MEXICAN JOHN WAYNE" FORMER AZUSA
19 CITY COUNCILMAN LUCIO DIAZ CRUZ. HE PASSED AWAY LAST YEAR. HE
20 WAS A DECORATED VETERAN FLIGHT ENGINEER AT THE U.S. ARMY CORPS
21 AND RECEIVING A BRONZE STAR FOR SAVING THE LIFE OF A SQUADRON
22 MATE DURING A PLANE CRASH OVER YUGOSLAVIA. AS A LIFELONG
23 RESIDENT OF AZUSA HE WAS A DEVOTED FAMILY MAN RAISING TWO
24 GIRLS WITH HIS LOVELY WIFE CAROLINE. ONE OF HIS DAUGHTERS
25 WOULD FOLLOW IN HIS FOOTSTEPS AND EVENTUALLY BECOME THE MAYOR

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1 OF AZUSA, CHRISTINA MADRID. HE WAS A COMMUNITY LEADER, A
2 PUBLIC SERVANT WHO WAS NEVER AFRAID TO WORK HARD DESPITE THE
3 MANY CHALLENGES THE CITY FACED, HE FOUGHT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION
4 OF THE CITY'S SENIOR CENTER AND AMONG OTHER CITY
5 INFRASTRUCTURES. COUNCILMAN CRUZ PASSED AWAY LAST AUGUST AT
6 THE AGE OF 90. HIS LEGACY WILL FOREVER BE REMEMBERED. I ASK
7 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THESE. SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION,
8 SO ORDERED.

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD LIKE TO ADD ON THE TWO PASSINGS IN AVALON
11 DURING THE STORM THAT ALL MEMBERS BE PART OF THAT.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, ALL MEMBERS. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS?

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MAY WE ASK TO
17 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SYLVIA J. JOHNSON, MEMBER OF OUR
18 PROBATION COMMISSION. IN ADDITION TO THAT, BY WAY OF
19 BACKGROUND, CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER FOR ALAMEDA COUNTY FOR
20 SOME 10 YEARS FOLLOWING HER GRADUATION FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
21 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. SHE WAS INVOLVED IN CORRECTIONAL SERVICES
22 FROM THE YEARS 1958 TO 1993. SHE SERVED AS A WARDEN AT THE
23 CALIFORNIA INSTITUTION FOR WOMEN, A PROBATION OFFICER RIGHT
24 HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, AND JUVENILE HALL
25 ADMINISTRATOR IN THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE. MISS JOHNSON WAS A

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1 MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN CORRECTIONAL ASSOCIATION, THE
2 CALIFORNIA PROBATION PAROLE CORRECTIONAL ASSOCIATION, AND
3 NUMEROUS OTHER CIVIC AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. SHE WAS
4 THE RECIPIENT OF MANY CORRECTIONAL AND CIVIC AWARDS. AND WE
5 WOULD ADD THAT SHE IS THE PROUD MOTHER -- SHE WAS THE PROUD
6 MOTHER OF SENATOR HOLLY J. MITCHELL AND THE GRANDMOTHER OF
7 GRANDCHILD RYAN. AND WE'D ASK THAT WE ALL ADJOURN IN THE
8 MEMORY OF SYLVIA JOHNSON.

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10 **SUP. KUEHL:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT IF I MAY.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL MEMBERS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
13 ORDERED.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. IF I MAY CONTINUE,
16 I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GLADYS ZIMMERMAN TAYLOR. BORN
17 IN ALABAMA IN THE YEAR OF 1924. SHE PASSED ON DECEMBER 19 AT
18 THE AGE OF 90. SHE MOVED TO LOS ANGELES IN 1961. SHE RECEIVED
19 HER ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE FROM SOUTHWEST COLLEGE AND WORKED
20 AS AN AID AT THE SOPHIA T. SALVIN SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTER IN
21 LOS ANGELES UNTIL HER RETIREMENT. SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE
22 GREATER FAITH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH FOR SOME 51 YEARS AND
23 SERVED AS A DEACONESS, SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER AND
24 SUPERINTENDENT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL. SHE ALSO SERVED AS THE
25 CHAIRPERSON OF THE P.H. HANES SCHOLARSHIP FUND COMMITTEE.

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1 TAYLOR ENJOYED FISHING, SEWING, READING, WATCHING THE LAKERS
2 AND COOKING AND BAKING. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SONS RASHID AND
3 HER DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, TONI. GRANDCHILDREN TYRONE, ERIC, TREVON,
4 TRACEY AND EDWARD, A HOST OF FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO
5 WILL MISS HER DEARLY. GLADYS TAYLOR. TRULY ONE WHO UNDERSTOOD
6 CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND MADE HER MARK ON THE LIFE OF THIS COUNTY.
7 I KNEW HER PERSONALLY AND CAME TO KNOW HER AND LOVE HER. MAY I
8 ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LOWELL STEWARD, BORN ON THE
9 25TH OF FEBRUARY IN THE YEAR 1919 AND PASSED AWAY ON DECEMBER
10 24 AT THE AGE OF 95. HE ATTENDED LOS ANGELES THEN CALLED
11 JUNIOR COLLEGE IN SANTA BARBARA STATE COLLEGE WHERE HE EARNED
12 THE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE IN BUSINESS AND THEN IN 1941 AS
13 CAPTAIN OF THE SANTA BARBARA STATE COLLEGE'S BASKETBALL TEAM,
14 HE LED THEM TO A NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INTERCOLLEGIATE
15 BASKETBALL THAT WAS A CHAMPIONSHIP. AND AS THE ONLY BLACK
16 ATHLETE ON THE TEAM, HE WAS BARRED FROM COMPETING AT THE
17 CHAMPIONSHIP IN 1942. MR. STEWARD ENLISTED IN THE ARMY AND WAS
18 ONE OF ABOUT 1,000 PILOTS TRAINED AT THE TUSKEGEE FIELD IN
19 ALABAMA. HE FLEW MORE THAN 100 COMBAT MISSIONS AND RECEIVED
20 THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS MEDAL. HE EARNED A REPUTATION
21 FOR HIS COMBAT SKILLS OVERSEAS ALONG WITH APPROXIMATELY 450
22 TUSKEGEE AIRMEN WHO NAMED THEMSELVES THE LONELY EAGLES. IN
23 2007, MR. STEWARD AND THE LONELY EAGLES RECEIVED THE
24 CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL FROM PRESIDENT BUSH. AFTER SERVING IN
25 THE MILITARY, HE EARNED HIS REAL ESTATE LICENSE WHILE WORKING

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1 AS A RAILWAY BAGGAGE PORTER AND WAS ONE OF THE FIRST AFRICAN-
2 AMERICAN REAL ESTATE BROKERS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HE
3 RETIRED AFTER 40 YEARS OF WORKING AS A BROKER AND AS AN
4 APPRAISER. MR. STEWARD IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTERS, PAMELA
5 AND SHELLY, 11 GRANDCHILDREN AND 11 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN WHO
6 WILL ALL MISS HIM DEARLY. HE MAY I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
7 MEMORY OF FREDERICK JONES, BORN MARCH 23, 1936, AND PASSED ON
8 DECEMBER THE 22ND AT THE AGE OF 78. HE WAS A GREAT CIVIL
9 RIGHTS PIONEER AND WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS DEDICATION AND
10 COMMITMENT TO HIS FAMILY AND COMMUNITY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
11 SON, ASSEMBLYMAN REGINALD JONES SAWYER AND A HOST OF FAMILY
12 MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL CHERISH HIS MEMORY AND SEEK TO
13 CARRY IT ON AS THEY HONOR HIS LIFE AND WORK. AND THEN FINALLY
14 RABBI LEONARD BEERMAN, BORN APRIL 9, IN THE YEAR 1921, ALTUNA,
15 PENNSYLVANIA. HE PASSED ON DECEMBER 24 AT THE AGE OF 93. IN
16 1940 AT THE BEGINNING OF WORLD WAR II, HE ENLISTED IN THE
17 MARINES AND WHILE STUDYING FOR THE RABBINIC, HE JOINED THE
18 JEWISH UNDERGROUND ARMY DURING A VIOLENT TIME IN THE MIDDLE
19 EAST. HE BECAME A PACIFIST AFTER HIS EXPERIENCE FROM THE WARS
20 AND VIOLENCE. HE WAS ORDAINED AS A RABBI AND EARNED HIS
21 MASTER'S DEGREE IN HEBREW LETTERS AND RECEIVED AN HONORARY
22 DOCTORATE OF DIVINITY DEGREE AT THE JEWISH INSTITUTE OF
23 RELIGION IN CINCINNATI. IN 1949 RABBI BEERMAN AND HIS WIFE
24 MARTHA MOVED TO LOS ANGELES WHERE HE WAS APPOINTED RABBI AT
25 THE LEO BECK TEMPLE. IN THE '50S, HE WAS KNOWN FOR HIS SERMONS

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1 ON SOCIAL CAUSES AND '60S DURING THE UPRISING IN WATTS, HE
2 ADVOCATED FOR CIVIL RIGHTS FOR THE PEOPLE OF THAT COMMUNITY
3 AND BEYOND. HE WAS A KEY PLAYER AND INTERLOCUTOR AT THE
4 INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND CONTRIBUTED TO IMPROVED RELATIONS
5 BETWEEN SEVERAL RELIGIOUS GROUPS IN LOS ANGELES, EVEN UNTIL
6 HIS LAST DAYS. RABBI BEERMAN WAS A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH
7 THAT WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS ADVOCACY, FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE
8 AND PASSION, AND HEARING THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. HE WAS
9 FASCINATED BY MODERN ART, POET AND PHILOSOPHY AND PLAYED
10 TENNIS WELL INTO HIS 90S. RABBI BEERMAN IS SURVIVED BY HIS
11 WIFE JOAN, FIVE CHILDREN, THREE GRANDCHILDREN, SISTER HELENE,
12 BROTHER JACK AND MANY MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO CHERISH HIS
13 WISDOM AND WILL HONOR HIS MEMORY. RABBI LEONARD BEERMAN.

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15 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN, AS WELL, IF I MAY, MR.
16 MAYOR, IN THAT ADJOURNMENT.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WITH THAT, THAT CONCLUDES MY
19 PRESENTATIONS, MR. CHAIR.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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23 **SUP. KUEHL:** WE SEEM TO HAVE SEEN A LOT OF PASSINGS OVER THE
24 HOLIDAYS. MAYBE JUST BECAUSE WE SKIPPED A FEW MEETINGS, BUT
25 THERE ARE FIVE PEOPLE IN THE THIRD DISTRICT I WISH TO ADJOURN

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1 IN THEIR MEMORY AND THEIR HONOR. FIRST, I MOVE WHEN WE ADJOURN
2 TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JACQUELINE BRISKIN. JACKIE WAS A
3 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT IN BELLAIRE, A BEST
4 SELLING POPULAR AUTHOR, RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 87.
5 HER VERY UNLIKELY WRITING CAREER BEGAN IN 1964 WHEN SHE TOOK A
6 NIGHT CLASS IN FICTION WRITING AT THE U.C.L.A. EXTENSION
7 TAUGHT BY L.A. TIMES BOOK CRITIC ROBERT KIRSCH. SHE
8 UNEXPECTEDLY FOUND BOTH A TALENT AND A PASSION FOR POPULAR
9 STORYTELLING, WENT ON TO WRITE A STRING OF BEST SELLERS,
10 NUMBERING MORE THAN 20 MILLION COPIES SOLD WORLDWIDE. JACKIE
11 WAS BORN IN LONDON IN 1927. HER FATHER WAS A SILVERSMITH. THEY
12 MOVED TO BEVERLY HILLS IN 1937 AND OPENED SPENCER ORDEL
13 SILVERSMITHS ON WILSHIRE BOULEVARD. BUT RATHER THAN ENTER THE
14 FAMILY BUSINESS, SHE PLANNED TO STUDY LAW AT U.C.L.A. BEFORE
15 DECIDING, INSTEAD, TO SUSPEND HER STUDIES, SOME WOULD SAY VERY
16 WISELY, TO GET MARRIED AND BEGIN RAISING A FAMILY AND BEGAN A
17 WRITING CAREER. WHEN THE CAREER BEGAN TO TAKE OFF, HER HUSBAND
18 BURT, A SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSMAN, BECAME HER FULL-TIME AGENT. IN
19 THE MID-1990S, AFTER 14 NOVELS, SHE RETIRED TO CARE FOR HER
20 AILING HUSBAND, WHO PREDECEASED HER IN 2004. SHE IS SURVIVED
21 BY HER DAUGHTER LIZ, TWO SONS, RALPH AND RICHARD -- RALPH AND
22 RICHARD, AND FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. AND, MR. MAYOR, I MOVE WHEN
23 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR. MAHER HATHOUT, A
24 LONG TIME PROMINENT LEADER IN OUR LOCAL MUSLIM COMMUNITY WHO
25 RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88. HE WAS BORN IN EGYPT IN

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1 1936. FORMALLY TRAINED AS A PHYSICIAN BUT DEVOTED HIMSELF
2 EQUALLY TO HIS LIFELONG CAUSE OF POLITICAL FREEDOM, RELIGIOUS
3 PLURALISM AND ADVOCATING A TOLERANT AND MODERATE STRAIN OF
4 ISLAM. HE ADVOCATED FOR MANY DECADES THAT ONE COULD BE A
5 DEVOUT MUSLIM AND A PROUD AMERICAN. CONTRIBUTING TO SOCIETY BY
6 EMPHASIZING THE ISLAMIC VALUES OF MERCY, EQUITY AND JUSTICE.
7 AFTER EMIGRATING FROM EGYPT, HE ESTABLISHED A MEDICAL PRACTICE
8 IN BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AND LATER RELOCATED TO L.A. WHERE HE
9 BECAME ACTIVE AS A VOLUNTEER AND A LEADER AT THE ISLAMIC
10 CENTER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, SERVING BOTH AS CHAIRMAN AND
11 SPOKESPERSON. HE INITIATED A NUMBER OF PROJECTS, PROGRAMS AND
12 SERVICES, INCLUDING A CO-ED MUSLIM YOUTH GROUP, THE ISLAMIC
13 INFORMATION SERVICE, WHICH PRODUCED A NATIONALLY TELEVISED
14 WEEKLY PROGRAM ON ISLAM, THE MINURETTE MAGAZINE, THE NEW
15 HORIZONS SCHOOL SYSTEM AND THE MUSLIM PUBLIC AFFAIRS COUNCIL.
16 A LONGTIME PROPONENT OF INTERFAITH ENGAGEMENT WITHIN THE
17 AMERICAN MUSLIM COMMUNITY, HE OFTEN WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE
18 REVEREND GEORGE RAGAS AND RABBI LEONARD BEERMAN WHO ALSO
19 RECENTLY AS WE JUST HEARD PASSED AWAY. CHARTER MEMBER OF THE
20 PACIFIC COUNCIL ON INTERNATIONAL POLICY, MEMBER OF THE BOARD
21 OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTERFAITH ALLIANCE IN CLAIREMONT LINCOLN
22 UNIVERSITY AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ISLAMIC SHURA COUNCIL OF
23 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. HE WAS A PUBLIC SPEAKER AND AT EXPERT
24 WITNESS AT LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE,
25 TWO CHILDREN, AND GRANDCHILDREN.

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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'D LIKE TO SECOND THAT MOTION FOR DR.
3 HATHOUT, MR. MAYOR.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL MEMBERS.

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7 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND I ASK, MR. MAYOR, THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
8 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ANN CUTROW, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF THE
9 THIRD DISTRICT, RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. A
10 DEVOTED LOVING MOTHER AND GRANDMOTHER, A TRUE MATRIARCH WHO
11 SERVED AS A CHERISHED ROLE MODEL FOR HER CHILDREN AND THEIR
12 FRIENDS AND GRANDCHILDREN IN THEIR PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC
13 LIFE. SHE WAS A GENEROUS SUPPORTER OF JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE IN
14 LOS ANGELES THROUGH WHICH SHE ALSO SERVED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF
15 THE GOVERNING BOARD AND WAS A COUNSELOR AT THE FREDA MOHR
16 CENTER. SHE EXEMPLIFIED THE IDEAL OF COMMUNITY SERVICE AND
17 GAVE JOYFULLY OF HER TIME AND ENERGY TO HELP AND ENCOURAGE
18 OTHERS. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER SONS, MY FRIEND ALLAN, ROBERT,
19 HER GRANDCHILDREN SCOTT, ANDREW, SPENCER, AUBREY AND AMANDA
20 AND HER GREAT GRANDCHILD CADEN. MR. MAYOR, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
21 ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RABBI DANIEL RONNIE
22 COHEN, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT IN THE BEVERLY
23 FAIRFAX AREA WHO PASSED AWAY AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER.
24 HE SERVED THE PEOPLE OF L.A. COUNTY AS A THIRD DISTRICT
25 APPOINTEE TO THE LACERA BOARD OF INVESTMENT FOR MANY YEARS.

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1 HIS PROFESSIONAL LIFE SPANNED THREE CAREERS, A LINGUIST WITH
2 AN UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE FROM U.C.LA.. AND ADVANCED DEGREE FROM
3 COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY. A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT FOR MANY
4 YEARS IN LOS ANGELES. AND AS A RABBI, HAVING GONE TO THE
5 ZEGLER SCHOOL OF RABBINIC STUDIES AT THE AMERICAN JEWISH
6 UNIVERSITY, AN EFFORT HE UNDERTOOK AFTER HE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH
7 THE CANCER THAT WOULD EVENTUALLY CLAIM HIS LIFE ON NEW YEAR'S
8 DAY. A MAN OF GREAT INTEGRITY, MULTIPLE TALENTS, PROFOUND
9 SPIRITUALITY. HE WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
10 WIFE HILDA WHO SERVED AS A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY'S ASSESSMENT
11 APPEALS BOARD, AND A SON JOSHUA. AND, MR. MAYOR, I MOVE WHEN
12 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF GUILFORD GLAZER,
13 LONG TIME RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT IN BEVERLY HILLS, A
14 SUCCESSFUL BUILDER, DEVELOPER, PHILANTHROPIST AND DEVOTED
15 FRIEND OF ISRAEL AND THE JEWISH PEOPLE WHO RECENTLY PASSED
16 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 93. HE WAS BORN IN KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, TO
17 ONE OF THE RELATIVELY FEW IMMIGRANT JEWISH FAMILIES TO SETTLE
18 IN THE BIBLE BELT. MADE IT HIS LIFELONG OBLIGATION TO SHARE
19 THE JEWISH PEOPLE'S CULTURAL HERITAGE WITH THE GENTILE WORLD.
20 FOLLOWING A STINT AT GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY AND THE
21 UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE, HE ENLISTED IN THE NAVY DURING WORLD
22 WAR II AND BEGAN LEARNING ABOUT SHIPBUILDING. RETURNING FROM
23 ACTIVE DUTY, HE HELPED TO SPEARHEAD A SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO
24 TRANSFORM HIS FAMILY'S STRUGGLING SALVAGE AND WELDING BUSINESS
25 INTO GLAZER STEEL CORPORATION, A WORLDWIDE STEEL FABRICATION

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1 BUSINESS. FROM THERE, THE FIRM BRANCHED OUT INTO APARTMENT
2 CONSTRUCTION, SHOPPING CENTERS, INCLUDING THE DEL AMO FASHION
3 CENTER IN TORRANCE. IN ITS DAY, THE NATION'S LARGEST SHOPPING
4 MALL. AS HIS BUSINESS SUCCESS GREW, HE EXPANDED HIS CHARITABLE
5 AND PHILANTHROPIC ACTIVITIES WITH A SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON JEWISH
6 CAUSES, SUCH AS EASING THE PLIGHT OF SOVIET JEWRY, SUPPORTING
7 ISRAEL, AND PROMOTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN PALESTINIAN
8 SOCIETY AS A FOUNDATION FOR A STABLE AND LASTING PEACE LOOKED
9 FOR IN THE MIDDLE EAST. HE ALSO SUPPORTED AND HELPED ESTABLISH
10 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND THINK TANKS AT THE BUSINESS SCHOOL AT
11 BEN-GURION UNIVERSITY OF THE THE NEGEV AND INSTITUTE IN
12 NANJING CHINA AND PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY AND OTHERS. HE'S
13 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 47 YEARS, DIANE, A DAUGHTER ERIKA, AND
14 SON EMERSON. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
17 ALSO, I'D LIKE TO MOVE THE MEMORY OF MUSETTE MARY BUCKLEY WHO
18 WAS SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT FOR PRODUCT PLACEMENT AT WARNER
19 BROTHERS ENTERTAINMENT FOR 20 YEARS, PART OF SEVERAL
20 CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDING PLANET HOPE, ST. FRANCIS DE
21 SALES SCHOOL, GOOD SHEPHERD HOME FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN AND
22 HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES. IN 2014 SHE HAD RECEIVED THE EMPOWERHER
23 INSTITUTE PATHMAKER AWARD FOR HER LEADERSHIP AS A ROLE MODEL
24 IN BUSINESS. AND ANN CHRONISTER PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91.
25 THE FAMILY OPENED CHRONISTER'S FURNITURE AND LINDSEY'S

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1 INTERIORS AND SHE ALSO SUPERVISED THE SOUP KITCHEN AT
2 LANCASTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOR 25 YEARS. MARIANNE
3 VIAULT COBERLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 73. SHE WAS A NOTED
4 INTERIOR DESIGNER, PARISHIONER AT MARINERS CHURCH AND MARGARET
5 SMITH BROWN, RESIDENT OF PASADENA, ATTENDED PASADENA CITY
6 COLLEGE AND WAS A LEGAL SECRETARY FOR 40 YEARS, ACTIVE IN THE
7 LINCOLN AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
8 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAD HELD ITEM
9 2. I WILL CALL ON THAT. AND THEN WE WILL DO THE PUBLIC S-1.

10

11 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. AND I WANTED TO THANK YOU IN
12 PARTICULAR FOR AGREEING TO JOIN ME IN OR I JOIN YOU IN THIS
13 MOTION.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE DID IT TOGETHER.

16

17 **SUP. SOLIS:** YES. IT'S GOOD. THERE ARE SOME GOOD THINGS THAT
18 ARE HAPPENING THIS YEAR. AND I'M REALLY INTERESTED IN
19 PROVIDING THE PUBLIC, AS YOU KNOW, WITH THE BEST SERVICES
20 POSSIBLE, THAT INCLUDES REBUILDING OUR MUCH NEGLECTED ANIMAL
21 SHELTERS IN L.A. COUNTY. I RECENTLY PAID A VISIT TO THE
22 BALDWIN PARK ANIMAL SHELTER AND I HAVE SOME PHOTOS THAT I'D
23 LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE STAFF ON THAT VISIT THAT I TOOK. THIS
24 PARTICULAR SHELTER SERVICES THE FIFTH DISTRICT AND PORTIONS OF
25 THE FOURTH DISTRICT, AS YOU KNOW. AND OUR POPULATIONS IN THAT

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1 PARTICULAR AREA HAVE GROWN IMMENSELY, SO MUCH SO THAT I
2 BELIEVE THE FACILITY CAN NO LONGER REALLY ADDRESS THE ISSUES
3 OF THE GROWING POPULATION, INCLUDING THE ANIMAL POPULATION. ON
4 AN AVERAGE DAY THE BALDWIN PARK ANIMAL SHELTER HOUSES ABOUT
5 600 TO 700 ANIMALS A DAY. SOME DAYS AS MANY AS 1,000 PETS, FAR
6 EXCEEDING THE CAPACITY. THIS WAS BUILT BACK IN THE 1960S, IF
7 SOME OF YOU MAY BE AWARE. THAT MAKES A GENERAL CARE ADOPTIONS,
8 RECLAIMS BY OWNERS VERY OVERWHELMING AND DIFFICULT TO
9 EFFECTIVELY MANAGE. UPON MY VISIT THERE, I VIEWED THAT THE
10 ROAD EVEN LEADING UP TO THE FACILITY DOESN'T HAVE APPROPRIATE
11 SIGNAGE. AND THE STREET ITSELF, IF YOU WOULD CALL IT THAT, IS
12 NOT MAINTAINED. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT'S PART OF THE COUNTY
13 JURISDICTION BECAUSE IT'S IN UNINCORPORATED AREA IN BALDWIN
14 PARK. I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE'LL BE ABLE TO SHINE A LIGHT ON THAT
15 FACILITY AND HOPEFULLY PROVIDE WHATEVER NECESSARY PROPER
16 SIGNAGE AND OTHER REPAIRS THAT ARE NEEDED. THE LONG STORY
17 SHORT IS I THINK THE PHOTOGRAPHS REALLY TELL YOU WHAT WE'RE
18 LOOKING AT HERE. PICTURE IS WORTH 1,000 WORDS. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE
19 TO UNDERSTAND HOW CURRENTLY THE CONSTITUENTS OF OUR AREA ARE
20 BEING SERVICED BECAUSE ON RAINY DAYS, AS WE JUST EXPERIENCED,
21 IT'S VERY HARD TO GET INTO THE PATHWAY TO GET TO THIS
22 FACILITY. YOU DON'T SEE ANY SIGNS. BUT THERE'S ALSO PILES OF
23 WET PAVEMENT OR MUD. THERE'S ALSO A POOL THAT HAS BEEN LEFT
24 THERE NOW BECAUSE IT'S NOT BEEN MAINTAINED WELL, WHERE WATER
25 COLLECTS THAT CAN ALSO LEAD TO OTHER, I THINK, DISEASES AND

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1 ILLNESSES THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. SO I THINK -- I DON'T
2 WANT TO PUT ANY BLAME ON THE COUNTY STAFF BECAUSE I THINK THE
3 FOLKS THAT I MET THERE ON THE GROUND ARE DOING AS MUCH AS THEY
4 CAN GIVEN THEIR LIMITED RESOURCES. BUT I CAN TELL YOU THAT
5 THEY DO NEED -- WE DO NEED AN OVERHAUL. AND I HOPE THAT THIS
6 MOTION, ALONG WITH YOUR EFFORTS, MR. MAYOR, THAT WE CAN START
7 LOOKING AT A BUDGET THAT WILL APPROPRIATELY ADDRESS, PERHAPS
8 MOVING THIS FACILITY, IMPROVING UPON IT IN ITS CURRENT STATE
9 WHILE WE MOVE THIS ALONG AND WANT TO JUST COMMEND ALSO THE
10 STAFF THAT ARE THERE BECAUSE I DID FIND THAT MANY OF THE
11 EMPLOYEES HAVE BEEN THERE FOR MANY, MANY YEARS AND ARE VERY
12 DEVOTED TO THE COMMUNITY. AND I CERTAINLY WANT TO WORK TOWARDS
13 THAT EFFORT TO SEE THAT WE FIND SOME CONCLUSION. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE ONE SPEAKER. MR. SACHS? ONE
16 MINUTE.

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU SO MUCH, MS.
19 SOLIS, FOR BRINGING THIS TO YOUR ATTENTION. I WOULD POINT OUT
20 TO YOU CS-3 YOU WILL GET MONEY FOR SOME ROAD REPAIR REGARDING
21 DAMAGE DONE BY THE UTILITY COMPANY TO COUNTY ROADWORK. SO
22 MAYBE YOU CAN USE THAT FOR THE ROAD THAT YOU NEED FOR THE
23 ANIMAL SHELTER. BUT I'D ALSO POINT OUT THAT FOR 40 YEARS, YOU
24 KNOW THE LAST YEAR THERE WAS A BIG CASE IN LANCASTER ABOUT
25 SOME DOGS THAT GOT LOOSE AND ATTACKED A WOMAN AND KILLED HER.

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1 AND EVEN THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS CAME IN AND THEY SAID
2 THAT WELL, THEY'RE SHORT STAFFED. AND NOW YOU COME OUT AND YOU
3 SAY THAT THE ANIMAL CONTROL SHELTER HASN'T BEEN UPGRADED IN 40
4 YEARS. AND THE PERSON INVOLVED IN THAT HAS BEEN A SUPERVISOR
5 FOR ALL THAT TIME. THAT'S PRETTY SAD.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE DOG ESCAPED FROM A HOME AND THE
8 HOMEOWNER OF THAT DOG HAS BEEN CONVICTED OR HE'S ON TRIAL
9 RIGHT NOW. IT DID NOT ESCAPE FROM AN ANIMAL CONTROL SHELTER.
10 MOTION BY SOLIS. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SO ON A
11 HAPPY NOTE, THE HORSE CHEERIO WAS ADOPTED THIS PAST MONTH. SO
12 WE'RE ONE FOR ONE ON HORSE ADOPTIONS. OKAY. S-1? REPORT BY THE
13 TRANSITION TEAM FOR THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION?

14

15 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, DR.
16 MITCHELL KATZ, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES AND COCHAIR WITH
17 LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE OF THE TRANSITION TEAM. WE APPRECIATE THE
18 OPPORTUNITY TO UPDATE YOU ON OUR PROGRESS. SINCE OUR LAST
19 MEETING, WE'VE MADE, I THINK, A LOT OF VERY SIGNIFICANT
20 PROGRESS, ALMOST ALL OF WHICH HAS COME BY BEING A PLACE WHERE
21 THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENT HEADS CAN COME TOGETHER AND FIGURE
22 OUT HOW DO WE SOLVE ISSUES ACROSS THE COUNTY, BREAK DOWN SILOS
23 AND COME UP WITH WAYS TO BETTER PROTECT CHILDREN BY WORKING
24 TOGETHER. AND TO GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE OF SOME OF THE POSITIVE
25 ISSUES WE'VE WORKED ON, THE MEDICAL HUBS, DR. ASTRID HEGER DID

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1 AN ASSESSMENT OF ALL OF THE HUBS AND FIGURED OUT WHAT EACH
2 NEEDED TO DO A BETTER JOB. IN MANY CASES THAT WAS SPECIALIZED
3 SPACE FOR CHILDREN. IN FACT, IN THE CASE OF ALL OF YOU, HER
4 EFFORTS HAVE ALREADY LED US TO RELOCATE THE HUB TO A MORE
5 CHILD-FRIENDLY SPACE. SO WE HAVEN'T EVEN WAITED FOR ANY
6 FURTHER ACTION. WE'VE ALREADY RELOCATED IT TO BE IN A BETTER
7 SPACE. SHE'S LOOKED AT STAFFING PATTERNS, WAYS TO MAKE SURE
8 THAT WE CAN RESPOND TO D.C.F.S. WHEN THEY HAVE AN IMMEDIATE
9 NEED, TO MAKE ALL OF THE HUBS MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF
10 CHILDREN. DR. SOUTHARD HAS COMMITTED THAT BY MARCH, ALL OF THE
11 HUBS WILL HAVE A MENTAL HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE, WHICH I THINK
12 IS VERY POSITIVE, BECAUSE MANY OF THESE CHILDREN ARE IN
13 CRISIS, NEED SUPPORT, THEIR FAMILIES NEED SUPPORT. I THINK
14 THAT WILL MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE. WE'VE ALSO LOOKED AT THE
15 ISSUE OF HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THAT THE JUVENILE COURT HAS THE
16 INFORMATION AVAILABLE RAPIDLY TO APPROVE MENTAL HEALTH
17 TREATMENTS WHEN APPROPRIATE. THE WORK OF THE TRANSITION TEAM
18 UNCOVERED A PROBLEM IN THE OVERALL IMPLEMENTATION, WHICH HAS
19 THEN LED TO A SOLUTION. AND SO NOW WE'RE WORKING ON A SYSTEM
20 THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE COURT THAT WILL ENABLE THE COURT
21 TO BE MORE EFFECTIVE. AND THE COURT ITSELF IS VERY GRATEFUL TO
22 MENTAL HEALTH AND TO THE LIGHT THAT CAME ON THIS ISSUE. AND
23 THEN, FINALLY, WE'VE HAD SOME VERY POSITIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH
24 THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHEN IT COMES
25 TO FOSTER CHILDREN, THE ADULTS FIGURE OUT THE ISSUES. IN OTHER

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1 WORDS, THE ADULTS SHOULD FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET CHILDREN TO THE
2 SCHOOL THAT THEY WANT TO GO TO. CHILDREN SHOULD NOT HAVE TO
3 LEAVE A SCHOOL THAT THEY LIKE AND ARE HAPPY AT BECAUSE THE
4 ADULTS CANNOT FIGURE OUT HOW TO MAKE TRANSPORTATION WORK SO
5 THEY CAN GO TO SCHOOL WHERE THEY'RE STILL HAPPY AT AND ARE
6 SUCCESSFUL AT. SIMILARLY, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT FOSTER
7 CHILDREN REALLY ARE NOT JUST PASSED YEAR-TO-YEAR ON BUT THAT
8 ARE REALLY CHALLENGED TO BE THE BEST THEY CAN BE. WE KNOW THAT
9 THEY HAVE EXPERIENCED TRAUMA BY VIRTUE OF BEING REMOVED FROM
10 THEIR FAMILIES, BUT, AGAIN, WE FEEL STRONGLY THAT IT'S UP TO
11 THE ADULTS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY HAVE A GREAT SCHOOL
12 EXPERIENCE. AND SO THOSE DISCUSSIONS, I THINK, ARE EMBLEMATIC
13 OF THE KINDS OF WAYS THAT THE TRANSITION TEAM CAN WORK ACROSS
14 THE DEPARTMENTS AND MAKE CHILDREN SAFER. AND MY COCHAIR WILL
15 NOW PRESENT.

16

17 **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. HAPPY NEW YEAR.
18 THIS IS OUR FIRST BOARD PRESENTATION IN 2015 AND OUR FIRST
19 BEFORE OUR TWO NEW SUPERVISORS, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND
20 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. AND WE ARE VERY ENCOURAGED AND OPTIMISTIC
21 THAT WITH THE TWO OF YOU JOINING THE THREE EXISTING
22 SUPERVISORS THAT THE PACE OF NEEDED REFORM WILL INCREASE AND
23 ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN AND THOSE AT RISK OF BEING SO
24 WILL BE SAFER IN THIS COUNTY. DR. KATZ HAS JUST HIGHLIGHTED
25 SOME OF THE PROGRESS THAT THE TRANSITION TEAM HAS WITNESSED

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1 OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS. AND I JUST WANTED TO ADD THAT I AM
2 VERY ENCOURAGED THAT WORK HAS ALSO BEEN DONE ON THE FRONT OF
3 PREVENTION, WHICH WAS VERY CRITICAL TO THE BLUE RIBBON
4 COMMISSION, AND I THINK A GOOD TEAM IS TOGETHER TO BEGIN
5 PUTTING TOGETHER IDEAS ON THAT FRONT, AS WELL. I WANT TO JUST
6 GO BACK FOR THE NEW SUPERVISORS AND EMPHASIZE THAT THIS ALL
7 BEGAN WITH BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACTION, THAT IT WAS SUPERVISOR
8 RIDLEY-THOMAS'S MOTION PASSED BY YOUR BOARD TO FORM THE BLUE
9 RIBBON COMMISSION, AND IT STATED THAT THE CURRENT SYSTEM DOES
10 NOT SERVE THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD, THE FAMILY OR THE
11 COMMUNITY AT LARGE. ONE YEAR LATER THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION
12 AGREED WITH YOU. WE CONCLUDED THAT A STATE OF EMERGENCY
13 EXISTED WHICH REQUIRED A FUNDAMENTAL TRANSFORMATION OF THE
14 CURRENT CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEM. SO, AS WE CONTINUE TO MONITOR
15 AND FACILITATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS, WE
16 BELIEVE THAT THERE IS RIGHT NOW AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUR BOARD
17 TO TAKE ACTION EVEN AS YOU CONTINUE YOUR SEARCH FOR THE
18 DIRECTOR OF THE CHILD PROTECTION. I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT A FEW
19 THINGS THAT WE BELIEVE YOUR BOARD COULD DO RIGHT NOW. ONE IS
20 THAT THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION REPORT BEGAN WITH WHAT IT SAW
21 AS BOTH A SYMBOLIC AND VERY IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATION -- BLESS
22 YOU -- FOR YOUR BOARD, ONE THAT COSTS NOT ONE DOLLAR. IT WAS
23 IN THE FIRST SECTION OF OUR REPORT UNDER THE SECTION TITLED
24 "IMMEDIATE ACTION BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS." AND IT
25 SUGGESTED THAT THE BOARD ARTICULATE A COUNTY-WIDE MISSION

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1 ASSERTING THAT CHILD SAFETY IS OF TOP PRIORITY. THE SECTION
2 GOES ON TO SUGGEST THAT THE MISSION SHOULD CALL FOR ALL
3 RELEVANT COUNTY ENTITIES TO WORK TOGETHER AND WITH THE
4 COMMUNITY. THAT JOINT STRATEGIC PLANNING TAKE PLACE WITH DATA-
5 DRIVEN PROGRAMS AND EVALUATIONS. WE URGE YOU TO CREATE A
6 MISSION STATEMENT ALONG THESE LINES WHICH WOULD SIGNAL YOUR
7 COMMITMENT TO AN EXCELLENT CHILD WELFARE PROGRAM IN OUR
8 COUNTY. WE BELIEVE THAT AS YOU SEARCH FOR A DIRECTOR OF AN
9 OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION, IT IS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE, WE
10 BELIEVE THAT YOUR SEARCH IS OF UTMOST IMPORTANCE, AND WE OFFER
11 OUR WILLINGNESS AND EXPERTISE ONCE AGAIN TO HELP IN ANY WAY
12 YOU NEED. WE SUGGEST HERE THAT A MISSION STATEMENT AT THIS
13 POINT WOULD SEND A SIGNAL TO POTENTIAL CANDIDATES THAT THE
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS COMMITTED TO THIS IMPORTANT GOAL. THIS
15 IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT GIVEN THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS
16 NOT THE ONLY JURISDICTION CONDUCTING A SEARCH AT THE MOMENT
17 FOR A CHILD WELFARE HEAD. SO WE'RE IN COMPETITION. AND WE
18 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR YOUR BOARD TO SIGNAL ITS PASSION AND
19 COMMITMENT TO THIS CAUSE. THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION'S FINAL
20 REPORT, THIS IS NO. 3, I'M JUST MAKING SIX QUICK
21 RECOMMENDATIONS ON WHAT YOUR BOARD MIGHT DO RIGHT NOW. THE
22 BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION'S FINAL REPORT RECOMMENDED THAT THE
23 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULARLY REVIEW THE COUNTY'S PERFORMANCE
24 ON MEETING ARTICULATED CHILD SAFETY GOALS. SEVERAL MONTHS
25 AFTER OUR RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED, WE CONTINUE TO

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1 URGE YOU TO BEGIN TO CONDUCT PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS BASED ON
2 STATED GOALS AND STANDARDS FOR CHILD SAFETY AND STRIDES THAT
3 HAVE BEEN TAKEN IN INTERDEPARTMENTAL COLLABORATION AND
4 PLANNING. THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION, NO. 4, FOUND THAT THE
5 COUNTY COULD MEASURABLY IMPROVE CHILD SAFETY IF THE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS REQUIRED ALL DEPARTMENTS TO TARGET RESOURCES AND
7 HIGH QUALITY SERVICES, INCLUDING PREVENTION SERVICES, TO
8 CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 5. AGAIN, WE BELIEVE THAT SUCH A
9 MESSAGE MUST BE SENT BY YOU CLEARLY, DIRECTLY AND REPEATEDLY.
10 THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION, WE CAN'T STATE ENOUGH, THAT EVEN
11 AS RECENTLY AS THE LAST COUPLE WEEKS, WE HEAR THAT RESOURCES
12 IN DEPARTMENTS THAT SHOULD BE GOING TO CHILDREN UNDER 5 AREN'T
13 NECESSARILY DIRECTED SPECIFICALLY TOWARD THOSE CHILDREN MOST
14 AT RISK. NUMBER 5, THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THAT
15 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SHOULD CONTINUE ITS ACTIVE OVERSIGHT
16 OF D.C.F.S.'S STRATEGIC PLAN BY ADDING A REQUIREMENT FOR
17 REGULAR REPORTING OF SPECIFIC SAFETY-RELATED OUTCOMES
18 INCLUDING RECURRENCE OF MALTREATMENT WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF A
19 PREVIOUS INCIDENT, MALTREATMENT RATES IN AND OUT OF HOME
20 PLACEMENT AND RE-ENTRY INTO CARE WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF
21 PERMANENT PLACEMENT. THIS IS ANOTHER STEP THAT YOU, THE BOARD
22 OF SUPERVISORS, COULD BE TAKING AT NO ADDITIONAL COST. JUST
23 REQUIRING D.C.F.S. TO REGULARLY REPORT TO YOU ON THE PROGRESS
24 OF THEIR STRATEGIC PLAN. FINALLY, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
25 WITH D.C.F.S., SHOULD CONTINUE TO DO WHATEVER IS WITHIN YOUR

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1 POWER TO ENSURE PARITY OF FUNDING FOR KINSHIP CARE PROVIDERS.
2 WE URGE YOU TO CONTINUE TO USE 4-E WAIVER DOLLARS TOWARD THAT
3 GOAL UNTIL THE STATE FUNDING KICKS IN OR IS COMPLETED. FOR THE
4 NEXT FEW MONTHS, OR FOR HOWEVER LONG YOU WISH FOR THE
5 TRANSITION TEAM TO SERVE, AND THE TEAM VIEWS ITSELF AS BEING
6 USEFUL, WE WILL BE MEETING TWICE A MONTH. I WILL SAY
7 PARENTHETICALLY THAT THE CO-CHAIRS, DR. KATZ AND I,
8 RECOMMENDED THAT THE TRANSITION TEAM MEET ONCE A MONTH, BUT
9 THE TEAM IS A GROUP OF PASSIONATE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE VERY
10 PROUD OF THE PROGRESS THAT'S BEING MADE IN THE COUNTY, SO WE
11 WILL BE MEETING TWICE A MONTH TO MOVE FORWARD ON
12 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE BELIEVE CAN BE IMPLEMENTED PRIOR TO
13 THE DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION BEING HIRED. BUT
14 EVEN WITH RESPECT TO THOSE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS THAT FALL
15 TO SPECIFIC DEPARTMENTS, ANY SUPPORT THAT YOU CAN SIGNAL FOR
16 THE LARGER CAUSE, ANY ENCOURAGEMENT THAT YOU COULD GIVE
17 DEPARTMENT HEADS, ANY PRESSURE YOU CAN EXERT ON THE SYSTEM TO
18 MORE URGENTLY MOVE TOWARD IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS,
19 FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS TO CONTINUE TO COLLABORATE AND THOSE
20 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENTS, TO SUBMIT PROGRESS REPORTS, THIS WOULD
21 MOVE THINGS ALONG EXPONENTIALLY FASTER AND MORE EFFECTIVELY.
22 FINALLY, I WOULD JUST SAY THIS. THE CRISIS IN CHILD WELFARE
23 PUSHED TO THE FOREFRONT THE LIMITS OF OUR COUNTY'S STRUCTURE
24 OF GOVERNMENT. FOR THE BENEFIT OF THOSE NOT OLD ENOUGH TO VOTE
25 AND AT GREATEST RISK OF NEVER BEING OLD ENOUGH TO VOTE FOR ANY

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1 OF YOU, WE URGE YOU TO FIND A WAY TO DO WHAT THE BLUE RIBBON
2 COMMISSION SUGGESTED THE RELEVANT COUNTY AGENCIES, DEPARTMENTS
3 AND COMMUNITY GROUPS DO. WE URGE YOU TO COLLABORATE WITH EACH
4 OTHER, TO BREAK DOWN YOUR OWN SILOS AND LEVERAGE YOUR
5 INDIVIDUAL TALENTS, SKILLS AND DEEP CONCERN ABOUT OUR CHILDREN
6 TO GET THESE RECOMMENDATIONS IMPLEMENTED. THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LORI MARTIN? PATRICK O'ROURKE. ERIC
9 PREVEN. DR. CLAVREUL. TWO MINUTES. LORI, GO FIRST.

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11 **LORI MARTIN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, INCLUDING THE
12 TWO NEW SEATS THAT I SEE HERE TODAY. I AM HERE TO OPPOSE
13 CERTAIN RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION THAT
14 GOES BEYOND THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS OF HIRING 450 MORE SOCIAL
15 WORKERS IN L.A. COUNTY. WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE IS THE PERJURY
16 AND REPORTS NEEDS TO BE INVESTIGATED AND PROSECUTION NEEDS TO
17 TAKE PLACE FOR C.S.WS CAUGHT COMMITTING PERJURY. THE PUBLIC
18 HAS ALSO REQUESTED THAT THESE SOCIAL WORKERS HAVE SOME TYPE OF
19 RECORDING DEVICE DURING INVESTIGATIONS. ANOTHER REQUEST OF THE
20 PUBLIC LAST YEAR WAS ALSO TO MOVE FROM UNIONIZED SOCIAL
21 WORKERS THE CONTRACTED SOCIAL WORKERS FOR TERMINATION
22 PURPOSES, ESPECIALLY WHEN CAUGHT COMMITTING PERJURY. WE HAVE
23 NUMEROUS PARENTS IN L.A. COUNTY THAT DO HAVE EVIDENCE OF
24 PERJURY. WE HAVE REPORTED IT. AND IT GETS KICKED BACK TO
25 D.C.F.S. TO INVESTIGATE THEIR OWN. OF COURSE, THEY'RE USUALLY

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1 EXONERATED. I KNOW BECAUSE MY SON WAS LEFT IN THE HANDS OF TWO
2 CRIMINALS; ONE WAS CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER AND THE OTHER ONE
3 HAD NUMEROUS DRUG CHARGES. ALL OF THESE FACTS WERE SUPPRESSED
4 ILLEGALLY IN COURT AND I HAVE NOT SEEN MY CHILD THAT I HAVE
5 50/50 CUSTODY OF IN TWO YEARS DUE TO PERJURED REPORTS, THE
6 BASIS OF PUTTING ME ON MONITORED VISITATION WAS SO THE SOCIAL
7 WORKER TO MAKE \$55 AN HOUR MONITORING VISITS. I HAVE PROVIDED
8 THE INFORMATION TO THE BOARD BEFORE. I'M SURE THEY HAVE IT ON
9 RECORD SOMEWHERE. BUT THERE ARE MANY OTHER WAYS ABOUT FIXING
10 THE SYSTEM OTHER THAN THROWING MORE SOCIAL WORKERS INTO THE
11 POT. THROWING MORE SOCIAL WORKERS INTO THE POT MAY VERY WELL
12 BE DETRIMENTAL TO MORE CHILDREN. I AM A FORMER FOSTER CHILD
13 WHO WAS NEARLY KILLED IN CARE. I WAS STABBED AND I WAS NEARLY
14 DROWNED. L.A. COUNTY ACTUALLY CONFIRMED IT. BUT OF COURSE
15 D.H.S. FROM KERN COUNTY WON'T GIVE ME THE REPORTS. PLEASE
16 RECONSIDER THE HIRING OF SOCIAL WORKERS AND MAKE SURE THAT
17 THEY'RE ALSO STATE LICENSED BECAUSE THEY'RE ACTIVELY WORKING
18 UNDER A WAIVER AND MOST ARE THE NOT STATE LICENSED HERE IN LOS
19 ANGELES. THE BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES DIRECTORS HAVE
20 EXPRESSED THAT THAT UPSETS THEM, AS WELL.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, LORI. MR. O'ROURKE.

23
24 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** YES, MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE. I SPOKE
25 BEFORE THE BOARD AND CRITICIZED THEIR ACTIONS AND COMMITMENT

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1 TO CHILD WELFARE REFORM MANY A TIME IN THEIR GLAD HANDEDNESS
2 AND BABYING OF CHILD SERVICES REPORTS. MANY PEOPLE HAVE COME
3 UP HERE MANY A TIMES COMPLAINING ABOUT THE ILLEGAL COURTS THAT
4 WE HAVE IN CHILD SERVICES. THEY ARE KANGAROO COURT STAR
5 CHAMBERS. PARENTS AREN'T ALLOWED TO PRODUCE INFORMATION,
6 PRODUCE EVIDENCE OR BRING WITNESSES. THE PROBLEM IS THAT WE
7 HAVE CRIMINALS IN CHARGE OF CHILDREN. WE HAVE CRIMINALS WHO
8 HAVE SEX OFFENSES, WHO HAVE BEEN CAUGHT BY THE COUNTY. WE HAVE
9 SOCIAL WORKERS AND PSYCHIATRISTS WHO DON'T HAVE PROPER
10 LICENSES, WHO HAVE HAD THEIR LICENSES REVOKED BY THE STATE
11 GIVEN TEMPORARY LICENSES BY THE COUNTY. WE HAVE A PROCESS HERE
12 WHERE WE DON'T HAVE A CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES, WE HAVE CHILD
13 CRIMINALIZATION AND CHILD ABUSE SYSTEM. YOU HAVE HAD THESE
14 REPORTS IN THERE FOR OVER A YEAR. SINCE DECEMBER, WE HAVE
15 TALKED ABOUT THIS, BUT NOTHING REAL HAS COME OF IT. AND FOR
16 TWO MONTHS, THE COUNTY HAS WAITED FOR REPORTS FROM CHILD
17 SERVICES. YESTERDAY, THERE WAS NO REPORT AVAILABLE FOR ME TO
18 VIEW. SO WHY ARE WE TALKING ABOUT THIS RIGHT NOW? WHY AREN'T
19 WE CRIMINALIZING AND INVESTIGATING THESE SOCIAL WORKERS, AN
20 AGENCY WHICH IS COMMITTING THE CRIMES THAT HAVE BEEN FOUND
21 OVER AND OVER TO COMMIT CRIMES NOT JUST OF CHILD ENDANGERMENT
22 BUT OF FRAUD, OF MONEY LAUNDERING, OF CRIMINALIZING, OF MISUSE
23 OF FUNDS. YOU GUYS NEED TO GET ON THE BALL AND REALLY GET ON
24 THIS IN THE NEW YEAR BECAUSE THIS IS IMPORTANT. THIS IS
25 NATIONAL.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. PREVEN AND THEN
3 ALSO MR. SACHS?

4

5 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
6 DISTRICT 3 AND RESIDENT OF STUDIO CITY. I THINK THAT WE'VE
7 MADE PROGRESS, OBVIOUSLY. LURIE AND KATZ IS A NICE TEAM. THE
8 PART I'M MOST CONCERNED ABOUT IS THE VERY LAST BIT OF THE VERY
9 SHORT REPORT THAT WAS PUBLISHED VERY LATE WHICH IS "THE
10 TRANSITION TEAM HAS HELPED TO FACILITATE THE FORMATION OF A
11 GROUP TO BEGIN CONCEIVING A PREVENTION PLAN." AND WHEN I HEAR
12 THAT, I WORRY ABOUT THE DATE. BECAUSE WE'VE KNOWN ABOUT A LOT
13 OF THESE PROBLEMS. AND I THINK THAT YOU LOOK AT A COMMUNITY
14 WHERE YOU HAVE ISSUES IN REPETITION AND CYCLE WHERE THERE'S A
15 LACK OF KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITY TO TAKE CARE OF THE KIDS
16 PROPERLY FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS, AND THEN THE KIDS ARE TAKEN
17 INTO A SYSTEM THAT CREATES HARD OUTCOMES, SOMETIMES WORSE
18 OUTCOMES THAN TAKING THE CHILDREN AT ALL. SO FOCUSING ON
19 REUNIFICATION AND REDUCING REMOVAL IS KEY, BUT PREVENTION IS
20 SO IMPORTANT. AND THESE ARE NOT STRANGERS, THESE SUPERVISORS,
21 TO GETTING A MESSAGE OUT INTO A COMMUNITY IN A ROBUST MANNER,
22 BUT COST EFFICIENTLY. I MEAN OBVIOUSLY IF YOU'RE SENDING
23 MAILERS OUT AND GETTING PEOPLE TUNED IN, YOU CAN DO SO IN AN
24 INTELLIGENT WAY OR IN A FAILED WAY. BUT THE POINT IS THAT
25 WE'RE NOT DOING ENOUGH IN THAT CATEGORY IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT

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1 IT NOW. WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT IT A LONG TIME AGO.
2 I SAID IT FOR A LONG TIME. SOME OF THE MORE SPECIFIC TECHNICAL
3 THINGS PEOPLE GLAZE OVER ON BUT ARE IMPORTANT IS THE RELATIVE
4 CAREGIVER ISSUE. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, I KNOW YOU'RE VERY TIED
5 INTO THE STATE BECAUSE OF YOUR NICE HISTORY THERE. THEY HAVE
6 BEEN THE ONES DELAYING THE QUOTA APPARENTLY OF WHAT WE'RE
7 GOING TO OPT IN ON ON THIS PROGRAM WHEN I BELIEVE THAT
8 RELATIVES WHO ARE GIVEN A FAIR -- I MEAN, YOU TRY TO DAZZLE AN
9 UNCLE TO TAKE CARE OF A KID WHO IS IN CRISIS AND NO MONEY, AND
10 IT'S A COTS COST ON HIM AND IT MAY BE HE CAN'T AFFORD IT. IF
11 YOU GIVE HIM WHAT WE'RE GOING TO GIVE SOMEONE WHO IS A
12 NONRELATIVE, I THINK WE AGREED ON THIS IN THE PAST. IT'S A
13 MATTER OF GETTING IT DONE BUT LET'S ADVOCATE FOR THAT AND GET
14 A FIVE SIGNATURE LETTER UP THERE ON THAT. LET'S MOVE THAT
15 ALONG QUICKLY. AND PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES
16 ARE PERCEIVED AS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY IF WE CAN DEPLOY THEM
17 INTO THE RIGHT MOMENT TO HELP MAKE DECISIONS THAT WILL SUPPORT
18 OUR D.C.F.S. WORKERS AND OTHER NURSES. SO THANK YOU AND GOOD
19 LUCK.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL?

22

23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
24 YOU KNOW I VERY SELDOM SPEAK TO SOMETHING OUTSIDE OF HEALTH
25 BUT I'M COMPELLED IN THAT ISSUE TO SPEAK BECAUSE I HAVE A

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1 HEART. THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HAVING 450 MORE SOCIAL WORKERS
2 SOUNDS PRETTY GOOD. BUT WHEN YOU READ THE FINE PRINT AND YOU
3 FIND OUT THAT THEY GO TO GET AN ADDITIONAL ONE YEAR OF
4 TRAINING. WHY HAVE WE NOT HAVING COMPETENT PEOPLE WHO CAN DO
5 THE WORK WHEN THEY GET HIRED? WE ARE PAYING THEM FOR EDUCATING
6 THEM? HIRE PEOPLE WHO HAVE THE QUALIFICATION. DO NOT ALLOW
7 PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR THE COUNTY TO LIE WHEN THEY TESTIFY. AND I
8 KNOW SOME OF THE PARENTS THAT HAVE SAID THAT IT HAS BEEN
9 PROVEN THAT UNDER OATH SOME OF THEM HAVE LIED. AND THEY'RE
10 STILL WORKING FOR THE COUNTY. SO I THINK THAT I WOULD HIGHLY
11 RECOMMEND THAT RATHER TO HIRE EXTRA 450 AND PAY THEM ONE YEAR
12 TO DO NOTHING AND BE TAUGHT BY PEOPLE WHO ALREADY DON'T KNOW
13 THEIR JOB, SOMETHING WRONG IN THAT PICTURE. PLEASE SAVE SOME
14 MONEY AND SAVE THE LIFE OF THOSE KIDS. HIRE PEOPLE WHO ARE
15 COMPETENT, WHO ARE HONEST AND CAN DO THE WORK. IT'S TIME TO DO
16 THAT. AND TO ME, TWICE A MONTH DON'T MEAN NOTHING TO ME
17 BECAUSE YOU CAN MEET TWICE A MONTH AND DO NOTHING. AND THAT
18 WAS A BIG THING EMPHASIZED THIS MORNING. WE'RE GOING TO MEET
19 TWICE. FORGET IT. DO THE WORK. TELL ME WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO
20 DO. AND ANOTHER THING, TO GET A REPORT ONLY A COUPLE OF HOURS
21 BEFORE THE MEETING IS INAPPROPRIATE. DOING THAT VIOLATES TWO
22 LAWS, VIOLATES THE BROWN ACT AND THE SPECIAL LAW IN THE STATE
23 OF CALIFORNIA TO PUBLISH THE DOCUMENT ON TIME. SO YOU CANNOT
24 DO RIGHT TO START WITH WRONGS. AND FOR THOSE PEOPLE WHO
25 TESTIFIED A FEW MINUTES AGO FROM THE COUNTY, [INAUDIBLE].

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. AND
5 THIS IS JUST A LITTLE FILE THAT I'VE COLLECTED ABOUT D.C.F.S.
6 OVER THE FEW YEARS THAT I'VE BEEN COMING HERE WITH
7 DOCUMENTATION OF ALL KINDS. BUT THIS IS A NEWSPAPER FROM THE
8 L.A. TIMES. "ABUSE OR NEGLECTS CITED IN 35 DEATHS;" "12
9 TROUBLED YEARS FOR CHILD WELFARE DEPARTMENT" DATED MARCH 28,
10 2010. SO TO HEAR SOMEBODY COME UP HERE AND SAY THE BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS CREATED THIS ACTION TO MOVE FORWARD ON THIS, YOU
12 GET AN ARTICLE THAT TALKS ABOUT 12 YEARS OF TROUBLES IN
13 D.C.F.S., THAT'S A SLOW MOVEMENT. BY THE WAY, THEY MADE A
14 PRESENTATION. THEY WERE PRESENTING ITEM 7. THIS IS S-1, I
15 DON'T KNOW. SILOS. WHO MENTIONED SILOS? OH, AND BY THE WAY,
16 WE'VE HAD A COUPLE PEOPLE MENTION THE 450 NEW HIRES. BUT
17 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, 8/6/13 AUTHORIZED TO HIRE -- FILL 650
18 POSITIONS, FUNDED BUT NOT FILLED. THAT'S WHEN YOU AUTHORIZED
19 THEM TO HIRE 150 POSITIONS. SO YOUR 450 POSITIONS THAT YOU'RE
20 TALKING ABOUT NOW, BY THE WAY, THAT DOESN'T INCLUDE ATTRITION,
21 WHICH IS ABOUT 119 POSITIONS A YEAR ACCORDING TO MR.
22 BROWNING'S REPORT, SO THAT COMES OUT TO ABOUT 100 PEOPLE, GIVE
23 OR TAKE, IS OVER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD. SO THERE'S NOTHING BEING
24 GAINED HERE, REALLY, EXCEPT GAS. BUT WHERE IS THE EXTRA MONEY?
25 WHAT HAPPENED? I MEAN, YOU TALK AND YOU TALK AND YOU TALK AND

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1 THESE PEOPLE TALK ABOUT ALL THIS STUFF. KAMALA HARRIS'S
2 TRAGICALLY-FLAWED FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION SYSTEM. IT'S NOT
3 ABOUT HIRING, IT'S ABOUT GETTING PEOPLE ELECTED THAT ARE
4 RESPONSIBLE. LOOK THERE. THERE'S WHERE THE PROBLEM IS. THE
5 SILOS START UP THERE. WE GOT THREE OF THEM TO SPEAK OF. LET'S
6 SEE WHAT YOU LADIES CAN DO, HOW YOU STEP UP TO HANDLE SOME OF
7 THIS BUSINESS. WANT TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE FILES? LET'S SEE HOW
8 YOU ROLL.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ITEM 7 WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR MARK
11 RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR. IT WOULD
14 BE USEFUL IF WE WERE TO RECEIVE COPIES OF THE TESTIMONY FROM
15 THE CO-CHAIRS OF THE TRANSITION TEAM, THERE ARE A SERIES OF
16 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT COMMISSIONER GILBERT-LURIE SHARED. AND I
17 THINK MEMBERS OF THE BOARD WOULD BE WELL SERVED BY BEING IN
18 RECEIPT OF THEM. AND IF WE COULD EXPEDITE THAT, THAT WOULD BE
19 HELPFUL. MAYOR, COLLEAGUES, I THINK IT IS ABUNDANTLY CLEAR
20 THAT WE HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF WORK TO DO. NOW, THAT IS
21 AGAINST A BACKDROP OF A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF WORK HAVING BEEN
22 DONE. RECOMMENDATIONS, FISCAL ANALYSES, ET CETERA WHAT'S
23 LAGGING IS IMPLEMENTATION. AND SOME OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS
24 GOING BACK TO THE POINT OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION REPORT
25 ITSELF WERE BROADLY EMBRACED BY THE BOARD, AND I HASTEN TO

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1 COMMENT THAT IT BAFFLES ME THAT WE HAVEN'T MOVED ANY MORE
2 QUICKLY THAN WE HAVE TO DATE. THEREFORE, THE MOTION THAT WAS
3 BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE BOARD THAT SAID THAT AT LEAST
4 THE THINGS ABOUT WHICH THERE HAD BEEN SOME CONSENSUS WITH
5 RESPECT TO THE MEDICAL HUBS, THERE WAS A LOT OF CONVERSATION
6 ABOUT BUT NOT A LOT OF ANALYSIS AND PRESUMED READINESS,
7 MINIMALLY WE OUGHT TO GET THAT MOVING. WHY? BECAUSE THE
8 CONCERN ABOUT CHILDREN BEING AT RISK, CONCERN ABOUT THE LACK
9 OF DIAGNOSTIC -- APPROPRIATE DIAGNOSTIC WORK THAT ALSO MIGHT
10 BE NECESSARILY THERAPEUTIC. OUR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, AS IT
11 WERE, TO PROTECT KIDS AGAINST A BACKDROP OF OUR PERCEPTION OF
12 EMERGENCY AND URGENT CONCERNS ABOUT THEIR SAFETY IS MOST
13 TANGIBLY LOCATED IN THE CONTEXT OF THE MEDICAL HUBS. QUESTIONS
14 AND CONCERNS HAVE BEEN NOW RAISED ABOUT THE HUBS, TO SOME
15 EXTENT, AS TO WHETHER OR NOT WE SHOULD MOVE COUNTY-WIDE OR IF
16 WE SHOULD PHASE THEM IN. I BELIEVE WE OUGHT TO GET STARTED. IF
17 IN FACT IT'S AT THE M.L.K. CAMPUS, FINE WITH ME. BUT WE HAVE
18 TO GET STARTED. LET'S EMBRACE BEST PRACTICES, PROMISING
19 PRACTICES, BUT WE NEED TO GET TO WORK AND SHOW RESULTS. A LOT
20 OF WORK HAS BEEN DONE. A LOT OF WORK IS BEING DONE. MORE WORK
21 MUST BE DONE. AND THE MOTION THAT I BROUGHT FORWARD IS BEFORE
22 US. I'M PREPARED TO ACCEPT THAT THE APPROPRIATE AMENDMENTS TO
23 THE MOTION. BUT I DO NOT BELIEVE WE SHOULD LEAVE TODAY WITHOUT
24 HAVING ACTED IN A CLEAR, DECISIVE WAY TO SEND A SIGNAL THAT
25 THE TIME THAT HAS BEEN LOST IS THE MOMENTUM THAT HAS BEEN

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1 ESSENTIALLY JETTISONED. THOSE DAYS ARE BEHIND US. AND WE ARE
2 PREPARED TO MAKE GOOD ON OUR COMMITMENT TO THE FAMILIES THAT
3 DEPEND ON US, THE PUBLIC WHO IS MONITORING US, AND OUR
4 COVENANT AMONG OURSELVES TO DO RIGHT BY THE CHILDREN WHO IN
5 FACT DESPERATELY NEED US TO PROTECT THEM. THE MATTER IS BEFORE
6 US. I'M RECEPTIVE TO THE APPROPRIATE AMENDMENTS. BUT I
7 CERTAINLY HOPE WE DO NOT LEAVE TODAY WITH HAVING DONE NOTHING.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE? THEN SUPERVISOR
10 KUEHL? THEN SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, MR. MAYOR, I TOTALLY AGREE ON THE MEDICAL
13 HUBS. IT'S LONG OVERDUE AND OBVIOUSLY SOMETHING I THINK THAT I
14 STRONGLY BELIEVE LIKE YOU DO, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS, THAT IT'S
15 LONG OVERDUE. I ALSO AM STRONGLY SUPPORTIVE OF THE PAIRING THE
16 NURSES WITH OUR SOCIAL WORKERS, AS WELL. AND I THINK THAT'S A
17 VERY EXTREMELY IMPORTANT PART OF THAT. AND OUR SOCIAL WORKERS
18 REALLY NEED THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO BE ABLE TO DO WHAT THEY
19 NEED TO DO AT THE POINT OF CONTACT. AND VERY CANDIDLY, MR.
20 RIDLEY-THOMAS, IF WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THE MOTION TODAY, WHICH
21 I THINK WE SHOULD, I JUST WOULD SUGGEST THAT ONCE AGAIN THAT
22 WE REMOVE ANY REFERENCES TO SENDING THIS BACK TO THE
23 TRANSITION TEAM FOR MORE REVIEW. WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD
24 TODAY. THAT RESPONSIBILITY'S OURS, NOT THEIRS. AND
25 PARTICULARLY ON THOSE TWO ITEMS, AS RELATES TO THE HUBS AND

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1 PAIRING THE NURSES WITH THE SOCIAL WORKERS. SO I TOTALLY AGREE
2 THAT THIS RESPONSIBILITY IS OURS, AS YOU MENTIONED. AND WE
3 SHOULD NOT CEDE THAT RESPONSIBILITY TO ANYONE ELSE AND WE JUST
4 NEED TO MOVE FORWARD I STRONGLY SUPPORT YOUR MOTION. BUT I
5 WOULD JUST ADD THAT WE DON'T NEED MORE REVIEW, THAT WE MOVE
6 FORWARD AS A BOARD ON THIS.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT SEEMS TO ME THAT IT'S COMPLETELY
9 CONSISTENT WITH THE MOMENTUM THAT NEEDS TO BE REBUILT, MR.
10 MAYOR, COLLEAGUES, AND CERTAINLY SUPERVISOR KNABE, I SHARE THE
11 POINT OF VIEW, CAME FROM THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION THAT THE
12 TRANSITION TEAM HAS ALREADY TOUCHED THIS. YOU'RE CORRECT. IT'S
13 TIME TO MOVE. AND I'M PREPARED TO ACCEPT AN AMENDMENT THAT
14 ESSENTIALLY AT LEAST THE ISSUE OF IT BEING REFERRED BACK TO
15 THE TRANSITION COMMITTEE. IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT STAFF NEEDS
16 TO BE INSTRUCTED TO MOVE TOWARD IMPLEMENTATION.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, THEN SUPERVISOR
19 SOLIS?

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21 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. FIRST OF ALL, LET ME SAY
22 THAT I HAVE STRONGLY SUPPORTED, BEFORE MY ELECTION, THE WORK
23 OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION AND AM VERY PLEASED AT THE WAY
24 THE TRANSITION TEAM HAS WORKED TO TRY TO IMPLEMENT, WITH EACH
25 OF OUR DEPARTMENTS, THE VARIOUS PIECES OF THE BLUE RIBBON

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1 COMMISSION. I DON'T AGREE THAT THIS HAPPENS OUTSIDE THE
2 PURVIEW OF THE SUPERVISORS. I BELIEVE THE SUPERVISORS HAVE
3 OKAYED, BLESSED AND ENCOURAGED THIS AT EVERY JUNCTURE. THE
4 PROBLEM REALLY IS THAT GAINING CLARITY ON EACH OF THE
5 RECOMMENDATIONS, I BELIEVE, IS NOT SOMETHING THAT HAPPENS
6 BETWEEN A MONDAY AND A TUESDAY. I VERY MUCH SUPPORT THE
7 ADOPTION OF A MISSION STATEMENT. AND I WANT TO SAY TO MY
8 COLLEAGUES: I WILL WORK TO DEVELOP THAT AND BRING THAT ACTUAL
9 STATEMENT TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR ADOPTION BECAUSE IT'S NOT
10 UNTIL YOU SHINE A GREAT LIGHT ON AN ISSUE OR AN ACTUAL
11 POPULATION, ESPECIALLY ONE WHO IS VOICELESS, RELATIVELY, IN
12 THE COUNTY, THAT YOU REALLY GET THE WORK DONE. THE OTHER
13 ASPECT OF THE MISSION STATEMENT THAT IS A LITTLE MORE
14 DIFFICULT IS THE QUESTION OF METRICS. THAT IS, ARE WE GOING TO
15 MEASURE EACH DEPARTMENT BY HOW WELL THEY ARE MEETING THESE
16 GOALS? AND, THEREFORE, HAVE WE GIVEN THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO
17 SET THE GOALS? I DON'T THINK IT HAPPENS AS QUICKLY AS EVERYONE
18 THINKS. WHEN I WAS ON TELEVISION, A YOUNG MAN CAME TO ME AND
19 SAID, "WELL I KNOW WHAT YOU DO A HALF HOUR EVERY WEEK. WHAT DO
20 YOU DO THE REST OF THE TIME "? AND IT'S SORT OF LIKE THAT'S
21 THE PART THAT YOU SEE ABOVE GROUND. WHAT YOU DON'T SEE IS THE
22 GROUNDWORK BEING LAID, AND UNLESS WE DO IT CORRECTLY, WE'RE
23 GOING TO BE BACK HERE YEAR AFTER YEAR. RELATED TO THIS MOTION,
24 HOWEVER, IF I MAY TO MY COLLEAGUE ON THE HUBS, I THINK THERE'S
25 A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS THAT MAYBE ANSWERED BY THIS REPORT BACK

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1 AND WHICH SUGGEST TO THE TRANSITION TEAM AND ESPECIALLY TO DR.
2 KATZ WHO WILL BE TASKED WITH DOING THIS, THERE'S A QUESTION OF
3 WHAT THESE HUBS ARE FOR. BECAUSE EVERYONE HAS A NOTION THAT
4 THEY SHOULD DO THE FORENSIC EXAMINATIONS WHEN A CHILD IS FOUND
5 TO BE AT RISK, IN EMERGENCY OR EMERGENT SITUATIONS. THAT IS
6 ONE OF THE ASPECTS THAT WE HAVE ASKED THE HUBS TO DEVELOP
7 EXPERTISE ABOUT. AND INDEED THE IDEA OF HAVING A HUB, AS I
8 UNDERSTAND IT, IS TO BRING TOGETHER THOSE WITH SOME EXPERTISE
9 ABOUT CHILD ABUSE, IDENTIFYING IT, LOOKING AT THE SIGNS, ET
10 CETERA. OTHER SUGGESTIONS HAVE BEEN MADE THAT THE HUBS SHOULD
11 BE THE PLACE THAT ALL OF OUR FOSTER CHILDREN, AT LEAST BELOW
12 THE AGE OF ONE OR MAYBE TWO OR MAYBE FIVE, SHOULD BE ABLE TO
13 ACCESS MEDICAL TREATMENT. IT'S ALSO BEEN INDICATED THAT
14 PERHAPS WE DON'T WANT TO LIMIT IT ONLY TO OUR INFANT AND
15 TODDLER POPULATION, BUT PERHAPS OUR TEENAGERS, OTHERS WHO ARE
16 IN THE SYSTEM. SO IN TERMS OF REPORTING BACK ABOUT THE NEED TO
17 EXPAND THE HUBS, WHAT IT WOULD TAKE, I THINK IT MIGHT BE
18 USEFUL FOR US TO UNDERSTAND THE VARIOUS CHOICES. WE MAY WANT
19 THE HUBS TO DO ALL OF THESE THINGS. WE MAY WANT OTHER ASPECTS
20 OF THE COUNTY HEALTH NETWORK TO DO SOME OF THEM; FOR INSTANCE,
21 REGULAR HEALTH CHECKUPS FOR OUR BABIES, OUR TEENAGERS. I THINK
22 WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND: WHAT DO WE WANT TO CENTRALIZE THERE?
23 WHAT KIND OF EXPERTISE DO WE WANT TO COLLECT? HOW DOES THIS
24 INTERFACE WITH THE PERSON ON THE FRONTLINE THAT SAYS: I NEED
25 THIS KID TO BE EVALUATED? I THINK I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU CAN

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1 MAKE THESE DISTINCTIONS. AND FOR US TO BE ABLE TO ADOPT AN
2 APPROPRIATE PROGRAM ABOUT THE HUBS THEMSELVES, I DON'T KNOW
3 THE ACTUAL AMENDMENT THAT COULD BE OFFERED TO THE FIRST PART
4 OF THE MOTION, BUT I DO THINK THAT IN THE REPORT BACK, IT
5 WOULD BE USEFUL FOR US TO SEE, IN TELLING US WHAT KINDS OF
6 REDEPLOYMENT OF RESOURCES, WHAT KINDS OF REVENUE EFFECTS AS
7 THE MOTION INDICATES, THAT WE SEE THIS AS NOT ONLY IN THE ONE
8 CATEGORY, IN THE FORENSIC CATEGORY IF WE'RE DOING THAT, WHAT
9 DOES THAT COST? WHAT DOES THAT TAKE? IN THE HEALTH CATEGORY,
10 WHAT DOES THAT COST AND WHAT DOES IT TAKE? SHOULD WE
11 CONCENTRATE ON ONE-YEAR-OLDS, TWO-YEAR-OLDS, ET CETERA?
12 BECAUSE I DON'T THINK WE'VE REALLY MADE THOSE CHOICES. AND WE,
13 GIVEN THE RIGHT INFORMATION, WE COULD. I ALSO ASK ABOUT THE
14 SECOND PART. MOTION, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS. DID YOU WANT -- IS
15 THAT STILL INCLUDED IN YOUR MOTION? BECAUSE WE HAVEN'T HAD
16 MUCH DISCUSSION ABOUT THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE PROGRAM.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT DOES REMAIN A PART OF THE MOTION
19 BECAUSE IT WAS THOUGHT TO BE THE AREAS AMONG THE
20 RECOMMENDATIONS WHERE MOST CONSENSUS HAD BEEN BUILT. AND SO I
21 WOULD THINK IN THE INTEREST OF MOVING FORWARD, NOT HASTILY,
22 NOT UNTHOUGHTFULLY, BUT I'M BEGINNING TO FEEL AND FEAR THAT
23 THIS ENTIRE EFFORT AROUND THE CHILD SAFETY AND PROTECTION IS
24 GETTING REDUCED TO THE PARALYSIS OF ANALYSIS. AND I JUST AM
25 VERY UNCOMFORTABLE -- AND I THINK IT'S ABUNDANTLY CLEAR THAT

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1 ALL OF US WANT TO BE THOUGHTFUL, CAREFUL AND WE WANT TO ENGAGE
2 IN APPROPRIATE SYSTEMIC CHANGE TOWARD THE OBJECTIVE OF
3 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF THESE CHILDREN AND, BY
4 EXTENSION, THEIR FAMILIES. THE PACE AT WHICH WE MOVE,
5 SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND OBVIOUSLY YOU BEAR NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR
6 THIS INDIVIDUALLY NOR DOES SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WE'VE GOT TO GET
7 IN OUR COLLECTIVE HEAD THAT THE ORDER OF THE DAY IS TO MOVE
8 THIS AGENDA TO PROTECT CHILDREN IN WAYS THAT WE HAVEN'T. THAT
9 IS OUR CHARGE. AND SO I RESTATE, WE SHOULD NOT LEAVE TODAY TO
10 THE EXTENT THAT IT IS POSSIBLE WITHOUT SENDING OUT A CLEAR
11 MESSAGE THAT WE ARE MOVING FORWARD.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** WELL I SUPPORT THIS MOTION. AND I SUPPORT THE FACT
14 THAT IT INDICATES THAT WE ARE MOVING FORWARD. BECAUSE YOU
15 CAN'T MOVE FORWARD WITHOUT A DETAILED REPORT ABOUT WHAT IT IS
16 YOU WANT TO ADOPT. I ALSO SUPPORT THE SECTION OF THE MOTION TO
17 GIVE US SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THE USE OF PUBLIC HEALTH
18 NURSES. I KNOW THAT D.C.F.S. EMPLOYS SOME. I KNOW THAT SOME
19 ARE IN PUBLIC HEALTH. WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHETHER WE NEED
20 THAT KIND OF SEPARATION, WHETHER THEY HAVE DIFFERENT
21 ASSIGNMENTS. THE USE OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES? I'VE BEEN VERY
22 INTERESTED IN SEEING IF IT'S POSSIBLE TO SEND THEM AS A TEAM
23 WHEN A SOCIAL WORKER IS SENT TO INVESTIGATE A CALL BECAUSE
24 THEY HAVE DIFFERENT SKILLS IN TERMS OF ASSESSING IT, WHAT THAT
25 WOULD MEAN IN TERMS OF OUR BUDGET. I THINK WE WILL MOVE

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1 FORWARD. AND AND AND ARE MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS MOTION. BUT
2 WE NEED TO HAVE, WITH APOLOGIES TO ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENT
3 HEADS, WE NEED TO HAVE REPORT BACKS MORE OFTEN. AND I
4 APPRECIATE THE MEETINGS THAT WE HAVE AND THE BRIEFINGS BY MY
5 STAFF WHO ARE GATHERING MUCH MORE INFORMATION THAT I AM ABLE
6 TO KEEP IN MY HEAD. AND I ALSO WANTED TO SAY THAT I'M IN
7 CONTACT WITH SENATOR MITCHELL, WHOSE MOTHER WE HEARD JUST
8 PASSED AWAY AND WE HAD A CONVERSATION LAST NIGHT, ABOUT THE
9 KINSHIP PAYMENT AND WHETHER WE CAN LOOSEN UP WHAT THE STATE IS
10 DOING AND GET IT CLARIFIED SO THE COUNTY CAN OPT IN AND KNOW
11 WHAT IT'S OPTING INTO. AND I WILL, WITH OTHERS, OF COURSE,
12 TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THOSE PHONE CALLS AT LEAST TO SEE WHAT
13 WE CAN DO TO MOVE THAT ALONG. I THINK THE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE IN
14 WHAT WE'RE DOING IS VERY LOW. THEY HAVEN'T SEEN US DOING MUCH
15 AND THEY DON'T KNOW THAT WE WILL DO MUCH. AND ALL I CAN SAY IS
16 WE HAVE FIVE POLICYMAKERS HERE AND I THINK THAT WE EACH IN OUR
17 OWN WAY ARE DEVOTED TO THIS AND WILL MOVE IT FORWARD. THANK
18 YOU. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

19

20 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU. I ALSO WISH TO COMMEND THE TRANSITION
21 TEAM AND THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION FOR THEIR HARD WORK. AND
22 I'M PLEASED THAT THIS IS MY FIRST MEETING WHERE I'M ACTUALLY
23 GETTING TO HEAR FROM YOU. AND I'VE READ THE REPORT SEVERAL
24 TIMES EVEN DURING THE PAST YEAR AND A HALF. I MET WITH MANY
25 STAKEHOLDERS ON THE ISSUE. AND WHILE I THINK THAT MUCH

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1 ANALYSIS HAS BEEN DONE AND HUBS HAVE EXISTED FOR MANY YEARS,
2 THERE ARE SOME GOOD QUESTIONS THAT WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT AND
3 HOPEFULLY YOUR EFFORTS WILL HELP GLEAN MORE LIGHT ON HOW THESE
4 RESOURCES WILL BE AMASSED, HOW THEY WILL BE DETAILED AND
5 IMPLEMENTED. BUT I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE NEED TO GO
6 BACK TO IS STATING OUR GOAL, OUR MISSION, BECAUSE CLEARLY THE
7 HUBS AREN'T THE CURE-ALL FOR EVERYTHING. THERE'S SO MANY OTHER
8 ASPECTS OF STAFFING AND JUST BREAKING DOWN OF THE SILOS WITH
9 EDUCATION, LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EVERYTHING THAT HAS TO WORK
10 COLLECTIVELY, THAT ALSO BEGS THE QUESTION OF WHEN WE'RE GOING
11 TO HAVE AN INDIVIDUAL THAT WILL HELP LEAD THAT AND HAVE A
12 STRUCTURE, AN INFRASTRUCTURE IN PLACE THAT WILL COMMAND THE
13 KIND OF PRESENCE THAT WE'RE GOING TO NEED. THIS IS SOMETHING
14 THAT'S BEEN SIMMERING AND ONGOING FOR MANY YEARS -- DECADES.
15 AND I KNOW THAT THERE'S AN URGENCY TO GET SOMETHING DONE. AND
16 I THINK THAT ALL OF US HERE BELIEVE THAT WE ARE IN THAT
17 POSITION WHERE WE'D LIKE TO SEE SOME MOVEMENT. GIVEN BUDGET
18 RESTRAINTS, BUT ALSO THE NEED TO MOVE QUICKLY. AND I CONCUR
19 THAT WE HAVE TO WORK AS A TEAM, THAT ALL OF US HERE ON THE
20 DAIS HAVE TO COMMUNICATE BETTER. THIS IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE
21 FIRST TIMES THAT WE'VE ACTUALLY BEEN ABLE TO DO THIS IN THIS
22 MANNER, AT LEAST FOR MYSELF. BUT TO GET A SENSE OF WHERE OTHER
23 MEMBERS ARE REALLY COMING FROM. AND TO GET TO KNOW WHAT THEIR
24 ISSUES ARE AND PERHAPS WHAT THEIR CONCERNS ARE. AND THAT WE
25 CAN MEET THOSE AND MOVE AHEAD. I WANT TO HEAR FROM THE

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1 TRANSITION TEAM. I DON'T THINK THAT WE CAN CUT OFF THE
2 TRANSITION TEAM. I THINK THAT THAT WOULD NOT SIT WELL, AT
3 LEAST IN MY OPINION, IF THERE WAS A MOTION TO SAY THAT SOMEHOW
4 THE TRANSITION TEAM IS SOMEHOW REMOVED IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER.
5 I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE FACT THAT YOU'VE ALREADY
6 BEEN ABLE, THROUGH YOUR MEMBERS OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION,
7 TO MOVE THINGS WITHOUT OUR, I DON'T WANT TO SAY DIRECT
8 INVOLVEMENT, BUT YOUR INTERACTION BECAUSE OF THE EXPERTISE
9 THAT YOU HAVE ON THE PANEL, SAYS SO MUCH MORE THAN ANY ONE OF
10 US COULD SAY. WE ARE NOT THE PROFESSIONALS IN THOSE DIFFERENT
11 CAPACITIES. BUT YOU HAVE AMASSED A PANEL OF PEOPLE THAT HAVE.
12 AND THEY ARE TALKING WITH OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS, IS MY
13 UNDERSTANDING. THERE ARE PROBABLY SOME AREAS THAT CAN BE
14 LOOSENEED UP WHERE ITEMS CAN MOVE MORE QUICKLY. AND YOU GAVE US
15 A LIST OF WHAT THOSE ARE. AND I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT MORE OF
16 THAT LOW HANGING FRUIT IS. AND ONE IS THE URGENCY, I THINK, OF
17 ALSO GETTING OTHERS TO HELP US, OTHER STAKEHOLDERS. AND THAT
18 MEANS THE LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITIES IN SACRAMENTO. AND I'M GLAD
19 THAT SENATOR HOLLY MITCHELL AND OTHERS WANT TO JOIN US. THAT
20 WE CAN MOVE TO HELP TO FIND DEFINITIONS SO THAT WE CAN OPEN UP
21 OTHER VENUES FOR FUNDING SO THAT WE CAN TAKE CARE OF THIS
22 ISSUE OF KINSHIP THAT HAS BEEN, I THINK, AN ISSUE THAT HAS
23 BEEN LINGERING FOR DECADES. I RECALL WORKING ON THAT ISSUE
24 WHEN I WAS IN THE LEGISLATURE BACK IN THE MID '90S. SO I KNOW
25 THAT THERE'S AN URGENCY THERE. AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN MOVE ON,

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1 THAT WE SET IN THIS MOTION, THAT WE ESTABLISH A GOAL, THAT WE
2 COME BACK, AND THAT WE HAVE THAT AVAILABILITY TO DO THAT, THAT
3 WE ALSO LOOK AT A MECHANISM FOR EVALUATION. BECAUSE I DO
4 BELIEVE THAT WE ARE THINKING ABOUT THAT. WE KNOW THAT THERE
5 HAS TO BE SOME PERFORMANCE EVALUATION DONE. IT'S ONGOING. IT'S
6 PROBABLY HAPPENING NOW. BUT HOW DO WE REALLY FULLY ENGAGE AND
7 WRAP OUR HANDS AROUND IT SO WE CAN PROVIDE THE GUIDANCE AND
8 THE NECESSARY INPUT? I THINK THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THIS
9 MOTION, IF POSSIBLE, THAT WE START TO BEGIN THAT PROCESS. AND
10 I THINK THE OTHER IS THAT WE ALSO WANT TO KNOW HOW WE CAN
11 INTERACT, AS I SAID, ALSO WITH OTHER ENTITIES IN TERMS OF
12 OUTSIDE RESOURCES. SO WHEN WE TALK ABOUT PREVENTION, IT ISN'T
13 JUST ABOUT SOLELY THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY. WE ALSO FUND A
14 NUMBER OF C.B.O.S AND N.G.O.S AND OTHER PLAYERS AND CORPORATE
15 ENTITIES THAT WANT TO HELP US, I THINK. AND THERE SHOULD BE A
16 WAY OF DOING THAT. WE'VE GOT TO TALK MORE ABOUT PREVENTION AND
17 UTILIZING THAT. AND I THINK A LOT OF US HERE REALLY WANT TO BE
18 ABLE TO SUPPORT THAT. SO I THINK THAT ALSO SHOULD BE A PART OF
19 THIS MOTION, THAT WE CONSIDER WHAT THAT MEANS AND REALLY
20 PUTTING SOME TEETH INTO IT. AND PROVIDING THE DIRECTION THAT'S
21 NECESSARY THAT I THINK OUR STAFF IS ASKING FOR, BEYOND JUST
22 WHAT THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSIONERS ARE SAYING AND COMMITTEE, I
23 THINK OUR STAFFING NEEDS TO HEAR LOUD AND CLEAR THE DIRECTION
24 WE WOULD LIKE TO GO IN. I WOULD JUST OFFER THAT UP AS
25 SUGGESTIONS FOR THIS PROPOSED AMENDMENT THAT WILL BE EVOLVING.

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1 AND MY OPINION IS THAT THIS WILL CONTINUE TO BE A WORK IN
2 PROGRESS, BUT ONE THAT WE CAN ALREADY MEASURE, I THINK, IF
3 THERE HAS BEEN SOME ACTIVITIES, FUNDING MECHANISMS HAVE
4 ALREADY BEEN CHANGING, PEOPLE ARE COLLABORATING. AND THAT'S A
5 POSITIVE. SO, AGAIN, I WANT TO JUST GO BACK TO WHAT I STARTED
6 WITH, IS THAT THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK, BECAUSE YOU ALL ARE
7 VOLUNTEERS. MANY OF THE STAFF ARE PAID TO DO THIS. WE HAVE
8 EXPERTS AND PEOPLE THAT PROVIDE THAT SUPPORT, BUT MANY HAVE
9 DEVOTED MORE THAN A YEAR AND A HALF, IF NOT MORE, OF YOUR TIME
10 FROM YOUR PROFESSIONS. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR
11 THAT.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MAY I ASK A QUESTION? MR. MAYOR,
14 MAY I? IN TERMS OF THE LAST ISSUE THAT YOU MENTIONED, ABOUT
15 OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS WHO MAY BE ABLE TO HELP, THE MOTION
16 REALLY DIRECTS, REALLY, DR. KATZ AND THE TRANSITION TEAM, TO
17 REPORT BACK. AND I'M NOT SURE THAT THAT'S WHERE THE EXPERTISE
18 MAY LAY ABOUT IDENTIFYING NONGOVERNMENTAL OR COMMUNITY-BASED
19 ORGANIZATIONS THAT MIGHT HELP, ALTHOUGH IT MAY, I'M NOT
20 CERTAIN. OR WHETHER OR EVEN WITH THE INTERIM C.E.O. SO I WOULD
21 CERTAINLY SUPPORT IT AS AN AMENDMENT IF MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS
22 DOES, BUT I WONDER WHETHER IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO DIRECT
23 THIS TEAM TO REPORT BACK TO US ABOUT WHO COULD SUPPORT?

24

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** IF I COULD JUST INTERJECT. THERE ARE SOME
2 INDIVIDUALS ON THE COMMISSION THAT REPRESENT OUTSIDE FUNDING
3 ORGANIZATIONS AND I HAVE WORKED WITH THEM FOR MANY YEARS. SO I
4 DON'T THINK IT'S A NEGATIVE. I THINK THAT ACTUALLY IT COULD
5 HELP TO GIVE US MORE EVIDENCE AND CREDIBLE INFORMATION AS TO
6 WHERE WE THEN NEED TO FOCUS. AND THAT WOULD BE OBVIOUSLY
7 SOMETHING THAT WE WOULD TURN OVER TO THE NEW DIRECTOR. AND
8 HELP PUT THAT IN PLACE. BUT I THINK THAT THE MESSAGE FOR THE
9 PUBLIC IS THAT WE SHOULD BE ALL HANDS ON DECK AND THAT
10 INCLUDES OUR OUTSIDE COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS THAT WANT TO SEE
11 SOMETHING HAPPEN. SO REALLY THAT'S WHAT I'M TRYING TO SAY AND
12 TRYING TO CAPTURE THAT IDEA.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK A QUESTION. THERE WAS --
15 MARK? THERE WAS A LAWSUIT IN SAN DIEGO COUNTY RELATIVE TO A
16 SIMILAR PROGRAM. WHAT WAS THAT LAWSUIT ABOUT? ABOUT THE ACTION
17 OF THE POLICY THAT THE COURT TOOK ACTION ON?

18

19 **MARK SALADINO, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR, I BELIEVE YOU'RE REFERRING
20 TO THE SMART WOOD CASE OUT OF SAN DIEGO AND IT INVOLVED THE
21 ABILITY OF THE COUNTY TO PERFORM MEDICAL ASSESSMENTS OF
22 CHILDREN THERE WERE A NUMBER OF CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES
23 INVOLVED. WE PREVIOUSLY GAVE YOUR BOARD A LEGAL MEMO ON THIS
24 SUBJECT. BUT BASICALLY THE COURT SAID THERE ARE CERTAIN
25 REQUIREMENTS THAT HAVE TO BE FOLLOWED BEFORE CHILDREN CAN BE

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1 EXAMINED. ISSUES OF PARENTAL CONSENT, ISSUES OF THE PARENTS
2 BEING ABLE TO ATTEND THE EXAMINATION, AND ALSO THE SCOPE OF
3 THE EXAMINATION HAS TO BE LIMITED.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TODAY WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT, WE'RE
6 TALKING ABOUT A PILOT PROGRAM, ARE WE NOT? WE'RE NOT TALKING
7 ABOUT A PILOT PROGRAM AT A SPECIFIC FACILITY BUT A COUNTY-WIDE
8 PROGRAM. OKAY. THE QUESTION IS: DO WE HAVE ALL OF THOSE
9 CONCERNS BEING MET THAT WERE RAISED IN THE SAN DIEGO CASE WITH
10 THE ACTIONS THAT WE'RE TAKING TODAY?

11

12 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. YOU WE HAVE
13 CURRENTLY, WE'VE BEEN BRIEFED BY COUNTY COUNSEL AND WE'RE VERY
14 CLEAR THAT NO EXAMS CAN BE DONE UNLESS THE PARENT HAS
15 APPROVED. WE ACTUALLY THINK IT'S A GOOD THING FOR PARENTS TO
16 COME AND JOIN AND BE PART OF THE OVERALL ASSESSMENT. AND WE'RE
17 VERY CLEAR THAT THOSE EXAMS CANNOT HAPPEN IN THE CASE IF
18 PARENTS DO NOT AGREE.

19

20 **LESLIE GILBERT-LURIE:** IN THE ABSENCE OF A COURT ORDER IF THERE
21 WERE AN EMERGENCY.

22

23 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** OR AN EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCE.

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THE ACTIONS WE'RE TAKING IS
2 FOLLOWING THE PROTECTIONS THAT WERE IN THE SAN DIEGO RULING.
3 WE'RE NOT DEVIATING FROM THAT, IS WHAT I'M SAYING.

4

5 **MARK SALADINO:** I BELIEVE THAT'S THE CASE. I BELIEVE THAT'S
6 WHAT DR. KATZ IS INDICATING.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THEN THE PROTOCOL SHOULD ARTICULATE THAT
9 AND WE WILL COMPLY ACCORDINGLY. AND THESE ARE NOT SMALL
10 ISSUES. IT IS IN PART WHAT I WAS RAISING EARLIER, THAT WE
11 SHOULD PROCEED IN THE MOST THOUGHTFUL WAY POSSIBLE, BUT
12 PROCEED WE MUST. THIS IS ABOUT STRUCTURAL CHANGE. AND WHEN WE
13 THINK ABOUT CAUSING THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE INVOLVED,
14 NOT JUST ONE DEPARTMENT, BUT THE VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE
15 INVOLVED, FROM D.C.F.S. TO HEALTH SERVICES, TO MENTAL HEALTH,
16 TO THE D.A., THE SHERIFF, ALL THESE DEPARTMENTS AND ENTITIES
17 HAVE THE SPECIFIC ROLE THAT THEY PLAY. ABSENT THEM DOING IT
18 PROPERLY, THE ENTIRE HOUSE COLLAPSES. AND THAT'S WHAT WE SEEK
19 TO ADDRESS AND CORRECT. IF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION HAS
20 GIVEN US A GIFT AT ALL, IT IS THE GIFT OF HOW WE BREAK THROUGH
21 THE DEPARTMENTALIZATION, WE CALL IT SILOED, WAY IN WHICH WE
22 HAVE DONE THIS WORK IN THE INTEREST OF MAXIMIZING THE
23 PROTECTION AND THE QUALITY OF SERVICES WE PROVIDE THESE
24 CHILDREN WHO ARE IN HARM'S WAY. AND, FRANKLY, IT IS EXHAUSTING
25 TO HAVE TO REACT TO THESE HORRIFIC STORIES THAT PERIODICALLY

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1 SURFACE IN THE CONTEXT OF L.A. COUNTY, AND WE HAVE SPENT MORE
2 CAPITAL, AND I MEAN MORAL CAPITAL, NOT NECESSARILY POLITICAL
3 CAPITAL, BUT MORAL CAPITAL WITH RESPECT TO THE DISPATCHING OF
4 OUR DUTIES TO PROTECT THESE KIDS. IT IS NOT SIMPLY LEGAL. IT
5 IS FAR MORE FUNDAMENTAL THAN THAT. AND IT SEEMS TO ME THAT'S
6 WHAT WE'RE GRAPPLING WITH HERE, THUS THE CLAIM THAT WE SHOULD
7 MOVE WITH URGENCY. WITH YOUR PERMISSION, MR. MAYOR, I BELIEVE
8 THAT THE INTERIM C.E.O. HAS A DOCUMENT THAT EMANATES FROM THAT
9 OFFICE THAT IS TO THE DISCUSSION ITEM FOR THE HEALTH DEPUTIES
10 PLUS AS SOON AS TOMORROW IT SEEM TO ME THAT THE MOTION THAT IS
11 BEFORE US SHOULD BE AMENDED TO SUGGEST THAT RATHER THAN
12 DECEMBER 9, WHICH IS OBVIOUSLY PASSED, IT SHOULD BE JANUARY
13 13, THAT IS NEXT TUESDAY, THAT WE SHOULD HEAR BACK FROM THOSE
14 HERE STATED IN ITEM 1, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
15 SERVICES IN CONSULTATION WITH THE TRANSITION TEAM AND THE
16 FOCUS WILL BE THE CONFINEMENT OF THOUGHT THAT'S BEEN MADE
17 CLEAR HERE ABOUT THE VARIOUS FISCAL ANALYSES, THE POLICY
18 IMPLEMENTATIONS AND A ROADMAP FOR IMPLEMENTATION. IT SEEMS IF
19 WE WERE ABLE TO DO THAT AND GET THAT FEEDBACK TO THE DEPUTIES
20 AND THE DEPUTIES THEN GIVE US THE BENEFIT OF THAT INSIGHT
21 BEFORE WE WERE TO MEET NEXT WEEK, WE COULD BE WELL ON OUR WAY
22 TO ADOPTING A PLAN WITH A PHASED-IN, OR NOT, WITH RESPECT TO
23 THE MEDICAL HUBS AND THE WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE WITH
24 RESPECT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES, ET CETERA. THESE ARE THE

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1 THINGS THAT WE NEED TO DO. AND WE NEED TO DO IT WITH SOME
2 IMMEDIACY AND TREAT IT AS A SET ITEM.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL SECOND THAT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DR. KATZ?

7

8 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** VERY GOOD. YOUR GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT HAVE
9 BEEN VERY HELPFUL. AND I INTEND TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE ALL
10 OF THE INFORMATION THAT YOU ALL HAVE REQUESTED IN A VERY
11 COMPREHENSIVE FORM AND THAT WE ARE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO MOVE
12 FORWARD.

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** MR. MAYOR, COULD I ASK? IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO SAY
15 NO. THAT'S WHY YOU SIT LOWER THAN WE DO. BUT, BELIEVE ME, IT'S
16 NEVER LOST ON ME, THE GEOGRAPHY OF A PLACE. BUT THE QUESTION
17 REALLY IS, DR. KATZ: IS IT POSSIBLE TO GIVE US THE KIND OF
18 INFORMATION WE'VE REQUESTED SEVEN DAYS FROM NOW?

19

20 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL, IT'S MY JOB TO DO THE VERY BEST I
21 CAN. IF THAT INFORMATION IS NOT ADEQUATE, THEN YOU'LL TELL ME
22 THAT IT'S NOT ADEQUATE TO MAKE YOUR DECISIONS.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOW, ON THAT POINT, IS IT NOT THE CASE
25 THAT A SUBSTANTIAL AMOUNT OF WORK HAS ALREADY BEEN DONE?

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2 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ABSOLUTELY.

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT IS THE REFINEMENT THAT WE WILL SEE?

5

6 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ABSOLUTELY. AND I WILL ALSO SAY IN GENERAL
7 FROM THE DISCUSSIONS THAT I'VE HAD WITH YOUR DEPUTIES THAT 90
8 PERCENT OF THE ISSUES OF THE HUBS ARE RESOLVED. BUT THERE IS
9 10 PERCENT OF THE ISSUES THAT I FEEL ARE NOT RESOLVED. AND SO
10 I THINK -- AND THE DISCUSSION, I WANT TO SAY, DEBRA, HAS BEEN
11 INCREDIBLY HELPFUL AND POSITIVE AND THOUGHTFUL. AND IT'S JUST
12 A QUESTION OF CLARIFYING TO EVERYONE, WHICH I THINK SUPERVISOR
13 KUEHL DID A GOOD JOB OF ARTICULATING THAT THE HUBS HANDLE
14 CHILDREN IN A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES. AND SO ONE
15 PERSON'S IDEA OF WHAT A HUB DOES IS NOT THE SAME AS SOMEBODY
16 ELSE'S UNDERSTANDING. AND SO WHEN WE SAY WE WANT TO UPGRADE
17 THE QUALITY OF THE HUBS, I'VE ONLY HEARD POSITIVE THINGS ABOUT
18 THE IDEA THAT THIS SHOULD BE CHILD-FRIENDLY SPACES, THAT THERE
19 SHOULD BE DEDICATED STAFF WHO ARE TRAINED IN CHILD PROTECTION,
20 THAT THERE SHOULD BE ENOUGH DOCTORS AVAILABLE SO WHEN A
21 CASEWORKER HAS A CHILD THEY WANT TO BRING, THERE'S AN
22 APPOINTMENT RIGHT AWAY. NOBODY HAS QUESTIONED ANY OF THOSE
23 THINGS. AND WE HAVE AN EXCELLENT PLAN TO DO THAT. BUT I THINK
24 AS SUPERVISOR KUEHL HAS POINTED OUT, THERE IS ALSO AN INCREASE
25 IN WHO IS BEING RECOMMENDED TO THE HUBS. AND I THINK THAT IT'S

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1 REASONABLE FOR PEOPLE TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT: IS THIS THE BEST
2 PLACE FOR THE HUB? IS THIS THE PLACE, THE BEST PLACE FOR THESE
3 CHILDREN TO BE BROUGHT? AND WHAT IS THE COST? AND WHAT IS THE
4 REVENUE? AND I DON'T SEE THOSE AS NEGATIVE QUESTIONS. I SEE
5 THOSE AS PART OF THE PUBLIC DISCOURSE BY WHICH THINGS GET
6 BETTER. BUT IT HAS DELAYED THE PROCESS BECAUSE PEOPLE HAVE
7 RAISED WHAT SEEMED TO BE LEGITIMATE QUESTIONS. BUT I THINK
8 THAT ONCE WE BROUGHT OUT ALL OF THE INFORMATION, I BELIEVE
9 YOUR BOARD WILL HAVE NO DIFFICULTY MAKING A DECISION ON
10 EXACTLY WHAT IT WANTS.

11

12 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THINK ALSO IN THE QUESTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH
13 NURSES, WE HAVE SOMEWHAT OF THE SAME QUESTIONS ABOUT
14 UTILIZATION AND PURPOSE. AND I WOULD, FOR ONE, LIKE TO SEE THE
15 CONNECTION TO PREVENTION. PEOPLE USE THE WORD "PREVENTION",
16 BUT THERE ARE SOME VERY GOOD PROGRAMS BUT THEY'RE VERY
17 SPECIFIC ABOUT HOW TO PREVENT ABUSE, WHETHER IT MEANS AT THE
18 FIRST VISIT, PROVIDING THE KINDS OF SERVICES THAT MIGHT BE
19 NEEDED SO THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO REMOVE A CHILD BECAUSE THEY
20 JUST NEED SOME HELP. SO THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO ME TO KNOW IF
21 THERE'S A TIE TALKING ABOUT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES TO THE ISSUE
22 OF PREVENTION, FOR WHAT?

23

24 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** UNDERSTOOD, SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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3 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU. ITEM 49, DR.

6 KATZ? BACK FOR PART 2. PART 3 SHORTLY. SO THIS IS YOUR DAY.

7 YOU DO IT SO WELL. WE APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP.

8

9 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** WELL, THANK YOU, SIR. I APPRECIATE THE
10 OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS BRIEFING WITH YOU. AND I'M GOING TO BE
11 JOINED BY MY INCREDIBLY CAPABLE COLLEAGUES FROM THE
12 DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL HEALTH, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH,
13 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES. I THINK THE AFFORDABLE
14 CARE ACT HAS GIVEN US ALL AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK BETTER
15 TOGETHER FOR THE GOOD OF THE PEOPLE LIVING IN LOS ANGELES.
16 WE'RE GOING TO DO THE HEALTH PART AND THEN I'LL TURN IT OVER
17 TO MY COLLEAGUES. WE ARE CONTINUING TO ENROLL PEOPLE IN MEDI-
18 CAL MANAGED CARE. OUR TOTAL ENROLLMENT AS OF TODAY IS 313,000
19 PEOPLE. WE ARE PROVING THAT IN ANSWER TO THE QUESTION OF: IS
20 THE MODERN D.H.S. THE PLACE THAT PEOPLE WILL CHOOSE TO GET
21 THEIR CARE? THE ANSWER IS A RESOUNDING YES, WHICH IS VERY
22 AMAZING WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE HISTORY IN THE PAST WHEN PEOPLE
23 GOT INSURANCE. AS YOU KNOW, THEY LEFT D.H.S. ALL OF THESE
24 313,000 MEMBERS IN D.H.S. COULD ALL CHOOSE TO GO TO A NON-
25 GOVERNMENTAL PROVIDER. THEY COULD ALL BE SEEN PURELY IN

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1 PRIVATE SECTOR. AND THEY HAVE ALL CHOSEN US. OUR ENROLLMENT
2 CONTINUES TO INCREASE. THERE IS A LITTLE BIT OF A SLANT DOWN
3 THAT IS THE LOSS OF MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY, MEANING THAT A
4 CERTAIN NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHERE THE ARROW IS POINTING LOST
5 MEDICAID, PERIOD. IT'S NOT THAT THEY DIDN'T CHOOSE US. IT'S
6 THAT THEY WERE NO LONGER FOUND BY THE STATE TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR
7 MEDICAID WE ALSO CONTINUE TO HAVE LARGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE
8 CHOOSING US. WE GOT A VERY HELPFUL FROM THE HEALTH DEPUTY OF
9 SUPERVISOR KNABE, A VERY HELPFUL CORRECTION TO HELP ME DO A
10 BETTER JOB NEXT TIME, THAT IN LOOKING AT WHO'S CHOOSING US, WE
11 REALLY ON THE RIGHT HAND SHOULD ADD THE 29 AND 7 PERCENT,
12 THAT'S 36 PERCENT OF PEOPLE ACTIVELY CHOOSE US EITHER BECAUSE
13 OF PRIOR EXPERIENCE OR COMPLETELY DE NOVO, WHILE ABOUT 63
14 PERCENT OF PEOPLE ARE NOT GOOD AT OPENING THEIR MAIL. AND THEY
15 THEREFORE DEFAULT TO US. THIS IS JUST TO SHOW YOU EMPANELMENT.
16 WHEN I CAME TO D.H.S., WHICH IS NOW I'M STARTING ON MY FIFTH
17 YEAR HERE. SO I'M VERY PROUD AND HONORED TO DO, WE HAD NO
18 SYSTEMATIC EMPANELMENTS. PATIENTS SAW WHO THEY SAW AND TODAY
19 NOW FOUR YEARS LATER, WE HAVE OVER 500,000 PEOPLE WHO ARE
20 EMPANELED IN A SPECIFIC PRACTICE WITH A SPECIFIC PROVIDER, AND
21 THAT INCLUDES BOTH PEOPLE WITH INSURANCE AND THAT INCLUDES
22 PEOPLE WITHOUT INSURANCE. MY HEALTH L.A., WHICH YOU WERE KIND
23 ENOUGH TO SUPPORT, NOW HAS ALMOST 55,000 PEOPLE ENROLLED. THIS
24 IS OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH PEOPLE WHO ARE GETTING THEIR CARE IN
25 COMMUNITY PROVIDERS. YOU SEE CONSISTENT WITH THE EPIDEMIOLOGY

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1 OF LOS ANGELES AND WHO DOESN'T HAVE INSURANCE AFTER THE
2 A.C.A., 94 PERCENT OF THE CURRENT PARTICIPANTS ARE LATINO.
3 VERY, VERY LOW INCOME PEOPLE WHO ARE NOW ALSO ABLE TO GET
4 THEIR CARE. COVER CALIFORNIA IS AVAILABLE. WE SHOULD ALL BE
5 DOING A GOOD JOB OF TELLING OUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS WHO ARE
6 UNINSURED THAT THEY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SELECT COVERAGE
7 WHICH RUNS TILL FEBRUARY AND THEREBY AVOID HAVING TO PAY A
8 PENALTY ON THEIR TAX. WE'VE HAD A MAJOR IMPROVEMENT IN WHO HAS
9 INSURANCE NOW, WHICH HAS SERVED TO MAKE OUR REVENUES MUCH
10 HIGHER ESPECIALLY IN THE INPATIENT ARENA. MARKET CONTINUES TO
11 GO WELL. WE ARE ON SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 1 START DATES AT
12 M.L.K., JR. OUTPATIENT CENTER AND THE TWO ASSOCIATED CLINICS.
13 NO ONE AT HARBOR WOULD EVER SEEK TO GO BACK NOW THAT THEY'VE
14 BEEN USING THE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD, WHICH IS A WONDERFUL
15 STATEMENT. WE'RE VERY HIGH IN TERMS OF GETTING THE NEW NURSES
16 THAT YOU WERE KIND ENOUGH TO SUPPORT HIRED. E-CONSULT
17 CONTINUES TO PROVIDE SERVICES THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY, TO BOTH
18 PRIVATE PROVIDERS AND TO OUR OWN D.H.S. STAFF AND MAINTAINS AN
19 AVERAGE RESPONSE RATE OF LESS THAN 3 DAYS. AND WE'VE ALSO HAD
20 A VERY SUCCESSFUL NEW PROGRAM FOR MOTHERS OF NEWBORNS WHERE WE
21 HAVE BEEN THE HOME OF COMPETITIVE FUNDING, NOW \$1.8 MILLION IN
22 DISCRETIONARY FEDERAL MONEY THAT WE HAVE GOTTEN TO REDUCE LOW
23 BIRTH WEIGHT INFANTS AT OUR FACILITIES. IT'S A GREAT PROGRAM
24 AND SHOWS THE TREMENDOUS OVERLAP BETWEEN OUR WORK AND THAT OF
25 PUBLIC HEALTH. AND WE CONTINUE TO HOUSE PEOPLE AS A HEALTH

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1 SERVICE, GIVING PEOPLE NOT ONLY BETTER HEALTH BUT DIGNITY. AND
2 WE HAVE A NICE PICTURE OF THE BROADWAY VILLAS APARTMENTS. WITH
3 THAT, WE'RE NEXT GOING TO GO TO MY COLLEAGUE, SHERYL SPILLER,
4 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR. I'LL DO
5 YOUR SLIDES.

6

7 **DIRECTOR SPILLER:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, DR. KATZ.
8 GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. AS DR. KATZ INTRODUCED
9 ME, SHERYL SPILLER THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
10 SOCIAL SERVICES. I LAST REPORTED IN NOVEMBER, I REPORTED ON
11 THREE AREAS, ONE IS THE ENROLLMENT OF INDIVIDUALS INTO MEDI-
12 CAL, THE ANNUAL REASSESSMENT PROCESS, AND THEN CHALLENGES THAT
13 WE'VE HAD WITH THE STATE ON THEIR CAL HEAR SYSTEM. I'M REALLY
14 DELIGHTED AND PLEASED TO REPORT THAT WE'VE -- TO DATE, WE'VE
15 INCREASED THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE RECEIVING MEDI-CAL BY 980,000.
16 THAT WAS FROM DECEMBER '13 THROUGH DECEMBER '14. THAT MEANS
17 THAT APPROXIMATELY 2.7 MILLION INDIVIDUALS IN L.A. COUNTY ARE
18 NOW COVERED BY THE MEDI-CAL PROGRAM. ON THE APPLICATION FRONT,
19 WE'VE RECEIVED APPROXIMATELY 839,000 NEW APPLICATIONS AND AS
20 OF DECEMBER 2014, WE PROCESSED APPROXIMATELY 525,000. SO
21 THERE'S BEEN THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE MEDI-CAL APPLICATIONS GO
22 THROUGH THE STATE HAS CAUSED US SOME DELAYS IN THE APPLICATION
23 PROCESS. AND MANY OF THE APPLICATIONS THAT YOU SEE PENDING ARE
24 BECAUSE OF THAT PROCESS. WHAT HAPPENS IS THAT THE STATE SYSTEM
25 IS UNABLE TO PROCESS NEGATIVE APPLICATIONS SO THAT THEY CAN'T

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1 PROCESS TERMINATIONS OR DENIALS. AND ALSO THEY DON'T HAVE A
2 WAY TO ADDRESS DUPLICATE APPLICATIONS. SO A NUMBER OF THOSE,
3 SOMETHING LIKE 70,000 OF THOSE PROBABLY REPRESENT DUPLICATE
4 APPLICATIONS. SO ON THE RENEWALS AND TERMINATIONS, IN NOVEMBER
5 I BROUGHT IT TO THE BOARD TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WE HAD A NUMBER
6 OF PEOPLE WHO WERE FAILING TO COMPLETE THAT PROCESS. AND AS OF
7 THE NOVEMBER 31, WHAT WE DID WAS -- WELL, ALL ALONG WHAT WE'VE
8 BEEN DOING THROUGH THE PROCESS IS -- SPENT MANY MONTHS
9 CONTACTING THE BENEFICIARIES TO GET THEM TO COMPLETE THIS
10 PROCESS. WE DID AUTOMATED CALLS, LIVE CALLS ON THE WEEKENDS
11 AND EVENINGS, WE SENT OUT REMINDER NOTICES AND WORKED WITH
12 MANAGED CARE AND WORKED WITH EX PARTE REVIEWS, AND AFTER ALL
13 OF THAT, WE'VE BEGUN TERMINATING A NUMBER OF FAMILIES. THERE
14 WAS A GROUP OF ADVOCATES THAT FILED FOR TEMPORARY RESTRAINING
15 ORDER, WHICH WAS DENIED. AND AFTER THAT DENIAL, D.P.S.S. MOVED
16 FORWARD TO BEGIN THE TERMINATIONS. WHAT YOU SEE HERE IS THAT
17 THE NUMBER OF CASES THAT WERE TERMINATED AT THE END OF
18 NOVEMBER: 73,748 CASES THAT WERE TERMINATED. NOW, WHAT YOU
19 SHOULD KNOW, I MENTIONED THIS BEFORE AND JUST A REMINDER THAT
20 THE PEOPLE THAT WE TERMINATE, IF THEY COME IN WITHIN 90 DAYS,
21 WE'RE ABLE TO RESTORE THEIR BENEFITS. THEY DON'T HAVE TO GO
22 BACK THROUGH THE APPLICATION PROCESS. AND ALSO 25 PERCENT,
23 BEFORE THE A.C.A. PROCESS WE WERE TERMINATING SOMETHING LIKE
24 20 PERCENT. SO JUST A LITTLE HIGH. FOR DECEMBER, WE ALSO DID
25 TERMINATIONS, WHICH WAS ABOUT 108,000 CASES. SO THERE'S A NEW

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1 PROCESS AS OF JANUARY, WHICH WILL ALLOW US TO -- THERE'S A
2 MATCH THAT GOES WITH THE FEDERAL HUBS, AND IF THERE'S NO
3 DISCREPANCIES FOUND, THEN THEY'RE AUTOMATICALLY APPROVED FOR
4 ANOTHER YEAR. THE MANUAL PROCESS IF THEY DO FIND A
5 DISCREPANCY, THEN WE'LL SEND THEM A PREPOPULATED FORM TO
6 COMPLETE. SO WE REALLY BELIEVE THAT THIS PROCESS CAN HELP US
7 TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF FAMILIES THAT ARE BEING TERMINATED
8 BECAUSE OF THE RENEWAL PROCESS. THIS NEXT STEPS AND THE
9 CHALLENGES THAT WE'RE FACING, A NUMBER OF ADVOCATE GROUPS HAVE
10 FILED TWO LAWSUITS AGAINST THE STATE. AND THEY HAVE TO DO WITH
11 THE DELAY IN PROCESS OF MEDI-CAL APPLICATIONS THAT YOU SAW IN
12 THE REPORT HERE AND ALSO A SECOND LAWSUIT ALLEGED THAT THE
13 MEDI-CAL ENROLLEES WERE NOT BEING PROPERLY NOTIFIED THAT THEY
14 HAD TO RENEW THE COVERAGE. THIS HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH THE
15 COUNTIES. IT HAD TO DO WITH HOW THE STATE WAS HANDLING THAT.
16 AND WE'RE WAITING TO SEE THE OUTCOME OF THOSE LAWSUITS. COVER
17 CALIFORNIA, AS DR. KATZ MENTIONED, HAS OPEN ENROLLMENT, SO
18 WE'RE RESPONDING TO THAT. WE HAVEN'T GOTTEN A LOT OF CALLS
19 FROM THE OPEN ENROLLMENT YET. AND AS YOU KNOW, MEDI-CAL
20 ENROLLMENT IS AVAILABLE YEAR ROUND. AND, LASTLY, I JUST WANTED
21 TO POINT OUT THAT THE STATE HAS BEEN VERY SLOW BUT GRADUAL
22 IMPROVEMENT IN ADDRESSING SOME OF THEIR SYSTEMS PROBLEMS. BUT
23 OUR DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TO ASSIST AND WORK WITH THE OTHER
24 DEPARTMENTS IN INSURING THAT PEOPLE ARE ENROLLED AND MAINTAIN
25 ENROLLMENT IN THE PROGRAM. THANK YOU.

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2 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, CYNTHIA HARDING,
3 INTERIM DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. AND I'M
4 HAPPY TO PRESENT ON THE AREAS IN WHICH THE DEPARTMENT OF
5 PUBLIC HEALTH IS HELPING TO IMPLEMENT THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT
6 AND IMPROVING ACCESS TO CARE, IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF THE
7 CARE OF THE SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE WHILE REDUCING COSTS, AND
8 WORKING ON IMPROVING OVERALL POPULATION HEALTH. I'VE REPORTED
9 TO YOU BEFORE ABOUT THE MEDI-CAL OUTREACH AND AND ENROLLMENT
10 GRANT. IT'S A TWO-YEAR GRANT THAT WE RECEIVED FROM THE STATE
11 OF CALIFORNIA, \$7 MILLION OVER THOSE TWO YEARS. THE DEPARTMENT
12 OF PUBLIC HEALTH IS IN THE LEAD OF THAT GRANT COLLABORATIVE
13 WITH FIVE OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, 37 CONTRACTORS AND
14 SUBCONTRACTORS AND NUMEROUS COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS. WE
15 HAVE LAST WEEK SENT YOU OUR FIRST REPORT ON OUR QUARTER 1
16 RESULTS. THE OUTREACH TO OVER 10,000 PEOPLE, 3,700 PEOPLE
17 ASSISTED WITH MEDI-CAL APPLICATIONS AND ACTUALLY 525 PEOPLE
18 SUCCESSFULLY ENROLLED. OUR QUARTER 2 REPORT ON THIS GRANT WILL
19 BE COMING TO YOUR BOARD IN FEBRUARY. AND WE ARE VERY CONFIDENT
20 THAT THOSE NUMBERS WILL CONTINUE TO RISE AS WE MAKE PROGRESS
21 IN IMPLEMENTING THE GRANT. OUR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND
22 CONTROL PROGRAM, AS YOU SEE ON THE SLIDE IN THE ARROW,
23 CONTINUES TO WORK IN THESE FOUR AREAS THAT ALSO WORK TOWARDS
24 INCREASING ACCESS, REDUCING COSTS AND IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF
25 THE CARE OF THE SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE IN THAT PROGRAM. AS

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1 I'VE MENTIONED TO YOU BEFORE, THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT
2 INCREASES THE POPULATION THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR DRUG MEDI-CAL
3 BENEFITS AS WELL AS WITH THE STATE PLAN AMENDMENT EXPANDS THE
4 TREATMENT SERVICES THAT ARE NOW AVAILABLE UNDER DRUG MEDI-CAL.
5 AND WE CONTRACT CURRENTLY WITH 58 CERTIFIED DRUG MEDI-CAL
6 PROVIDERS. AND WE ARE CONTINUING TO WORK TO EXPAND THE NETWORK
7 OF PROVIDERS BECAUSE IF THERE'S MORE DEMAND FOR DRUG MEDI-CAL
8 SERVICES, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR NETWORK OF PROVIDERS
9 IS SUFFICIENT BOTH IN THE QUALITY OF SERVICES AND THE NUMBER
10 OF PROVIDERS IN THAT NETWORK. AND TO THAT AIM, WE ARE DOING
11 TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WITH AGENCIES SO THAT ALL OF
12 OUR CONTRACTED SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION PROVIDERS CAN BE
13 DRUG MEDI-CAL PROVIDERS. WE'RE WORKING WITH DEPARTMENTS OF
14 HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH TO MAKE SURE THAT THEIR PROVIDERS, AS
15 WELL, ARE DRUG MEDI-CAL PROVIDERS SO THAT WE CAN HAVE A MUCH
16 MORE ROBUST, INTEGRATED SERVICE DELIVERY FOR MEDI-CAL
17 BENEFICIARIES WITH MULTIPLE CO-OCCURRING CONDITIONS. AND ON
18 NOVEMBER 24TH, JUST TO MENTION, THE STATE FILED A DRUG MEDI-
19 CAL WAIVER WHICH WILL CONTINUE TO EXPAND THE REIMBURSABLE
20 SERVICES TO INCLUDE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT SERVICES, CASE
21 MANAGEMENT AND RECOVERY SUPPORT, MAKING A MUCH FULLER
22 CONTINUUM OF SERVICE FOR DRUG MEDI-CAL BENEFICIARIES. JUST A
23 LITTLE BIT ON THE WORK OF OUR COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES, WE
24 CONTINUALLY WORK TO POSITION OUR PUBLIC HEALTH CLINICS TO
25 ADDRESS BOTH THE DEMANDS FOR POPULATION HEALTH AS WELL AS

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1 INDIVIDUAL CARE. AND WHILE OVER HALF OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO
2 VISIT OUR PUBLIC HEALTH CLINICS ARE STILL UNINSURED, THERE'S
3 ABOUT A THIRD THAT ARE. AND SO IT'S VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE
4 CONTINUE TO WORK TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PUBLIC HEALTH
5 DEPARTMENT IS POSITIONED TO BILL FOR SERVICES WHERE THERE IS A
6 PAYER, TO IMPLEMENT ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS, AND TO HIRE THE
7 APPROPRIATE STAFF TO DO THE PATIENT FINANCIAL SCREENING. AND
8 WE ANTICIPATE COMING BACK TO YOUR BOARD IN THE MIDDLE OF 2015
9 WITH A FEE SCHEDULE FOR THOSE CLINICS WHERE WE'RE ABLE TO BILL
10 FOR SERVICES AND WITH INFORMATION ON A SOLICITATION PROCESS
11 FOR A BILLING CONSULTANT TO WORK WITH US. OUR WORK IN THE
12 HEALTH RECORDS CONTINUES, AND WE HOPE TO COME FORWARD WITH A
13 SOLICITATION PROCUREMENT PROCESS FOR AN ELECTRONIC HEALTH
14 RECORD IN THE MIDDLE OF 2015, AS WELL. THE LAST THREE SLIDES I
15 WANT TO JUST MENTION BRIEFLY ABOUT OUR POPULATION, OUR WORK TO
16 IMPROVE POPULATION HEALTH, WE CONTINUE TO DO FLU OUTREACH AND
17 THIS YEAR ARE PROUD TO HAVE PARTNERED WITH THE COUNTY LIBRARY
18 AS WELL AS IN THAT EFFORT, MANY OF THE CITY LIBRARIES JOINED
19 US, AS WELL, TO PROVIDE FLU SHOTS, FREE FLU SHOTS IN OUR
20 COUNTY LIBRARIES. AND IN SOME OF THE CITY LIBRARIES. AND A
21 MEMO SUMMARIZING THOSE OUTREACH ACTIVITIES AND THE WORK THAT
22 WE ACCOMPLISHED WAS SENT TO YOUR BOARD YESTERDAY. AS YOU KNOW,
23 SINCE THE SUMMER, WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON EBOLA PREPAREDNESS
24 WITH THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND WITH MANY OTHER
25 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. AND ARE VERY PROUD OF THE WORK THAT

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1 HAPPENED AMONG ALL THE COLLABORATION AMONG ALL THE COUNTY
2 DEPARTMENTS SO THAT WE NOW HAVE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH OFFICER
3 ORDERS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF SUSPECT EBOLA CASES, GUIDANCE TO
4 THE HEALTHCARE PROVIDER COMMUNITY. WE'VE WORKED WITH OUR LOCAL
5 HOSPITALS. AND AS YOU KNOW, U.C.L.A. AND KAISER HOSPITALS HAVE
6 NOW JOINED THE ROSTER OF THOSE HOSPITALS ON THE NATIONAL EBOLA
7 TREATMENT CENTERS APPROVED BY THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL.
8 WE HAVE A TRACKING SYSTEM FOR THOSE TRAVELING FROM THE
9 IMPACTED AFRICAN NATIONS. AND ALL OF THESE PLANNING ACTIVITIES
10 AND THE COMMUNITY EDUCATION THAT WE HAVE DONE AROUND EBOLA
11 WILL SERVE US FOR FUTURE EMERGING INFECTIONS OR BIO THREATS
12 THAT L.A. COUNTY MAY FACE AND TO PROVIDE CONTINUED VIGILANCE
13 IN THE CASE THAT WE GET A POSSIBLE EBOLA CASE HERE. AND LAST I
14 WANT TO TOUCH ON OUR CHRONIC DISEASE AND INJURY PREVENTION
15 WORK, UNDER THE PREVENTION PUBLIC HEALTH FUND OF THE
16 AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, WE HAVE BEEN VERY FORTUNATE TO RECEIVE
17 FUNDING. I MENTIONED TO YOUR BOARD ABOUT OUR WORK ON THE
18 COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION GRANTS. THE LAST TWO YEARS OF THOSE
19 GRANTS ENDED EARLY. WE RECEIVED A NO COST EXTENSION TO
20 CONTINUE THAT WORK UNTIL MARCH OF 2015. THAT WORK HAS ALLOWED
21 US TO PARTNER WITH CITIES AND SCHOOLS AND A NUMBER OF
22 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO IMPROVE THE ENVIRONMENTS IN
23 WHICH PEOPLE LIVE AND WORK AND PLAY. AND AS I MENTIONED OUR
24 LAST UPDATE, WE WERE VERY FORTUNATE TO RECEIVE 3.5 MILLION
25 GRANT PER YEAR FOR FOUR YEARS FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE

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1 CONTROL TO CONTINUE OUR WORK IN PREVENTING DIABETES, STROKE
2 AND HEART DISEASE AND WILL BE PARTNERING WITH DEPARTMENT OF
3 HEALTH SERVICES ON CLINICAL PREVENTIVE SERVICES. WE ARE ALSO
4 GOING TO SERVE, BECAUSE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WAS VERY FORTUNATE,
5 THERE WERE SIX GRANTEEES OVER THREE DIFFERENT CENTERS FOR
6 DISEASE CONTROL FUNDING STREAMS THAT WERE AWARDED FOR LOS
7 ANGELES COUNTY, 10.6 MILLION A YEAR. THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
8 HEALTH IS GOING TO SERVE AS THE LEAD ENTITY IN MAKING SURE
9 THAT ALL THOSE GRANT-FUNDED AGENCIES ARE WORKING TOGETHER,
10 THERE'S COLLABORATION, THERE'S COORDINATION, AND THAT WE ARE
11 MAXIMIZING THE USE OF THOSE FUNDS COMING TO LOS ANGELES
12 COUNTY. AND WITH THAT, I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO DEPARTMENT
13 OF MENTAL HEALTH.

14
15 **MARV SOUTHARD:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THIS IS MARV
16 SOUTHARD, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. FOR THE
17 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AFFORDABLE
18 CARE ACT, THERE ARE TWO BIG CHALLENGES. THE FIRST CHALLENGE IS
19 PROVIDING SUFFICIENT ACCESS FOR SERVICES FOR NEEDED MENTAL
20 HEALTHCARE; BUT PERHAPS THE EVEN GREATER CHALLENGE IS FOR US
21 TO INTEGRATE OUR MENTAL HEALTHCARE IN A WAY THAT SERVES THE
22 HEALTH NEEDS OF OUR CLIENT POPULATION, BECAUSE IT'S A GREAT
23 SCANDAL THAT PEOPLE WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS DIE 25 YEARS
24 EARLIER THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION, NOT BECAUSE OF SUICIDE OR
25 OTHER MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, BUT, REALLY, BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL

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1 HEALTH ISSUES LIKE OVERWEIGHT, DIABETES AND HEART CONDITIONS.
2 SO THE INTEGRATION OF CARE TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE WITH
3 SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS GET ACCESS TO THE PRIMARY CARE THAT
4 THEY DESERVE IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF OUR CHALLENGE. IF YOU
5 LOOK AT THIS CHART, YOU'LL SEE THAT WE CONTINUE TO GET AROUND
6 7,000 NEW MENTAL HEALTH CLIENTS ENROLLED IN THE SYSTEM PER
7 MONTH. SLIGHTLY LARGER PERCENTAGE EACH MONTH IS FOR MEDICAID
8 EXPANSION PROGRAM. BUT EVEN MORE SURPRISING TO US IS THE FACT
9 THAT THE MEDI-CAL POPULATION, THE TRADITIONAL MEDI-CAL
10 POPULATION, ALSO CONTINUES TO GROW MONTH BY MONTH. AND THE
11 SURPRISE OF THAT IS THE MEDI-CAL TRADITIONAL POPULATION
12 REQUIRES A LARGER DEGREE OF LOCAL MATCH THAN THE MEDICAID
13 EXPANSION POPULATION, SO THAT CREATES FINANCIAL CHALLENGES
14 THAT MAYBE WE HADN'T ENTIRELY ANTICIPATED. ADDITIONALLY,
15 YOU'LL SEE THAT THE INDIGENT, THE UNFUNDED PEOPLE COMING IN TO
16 OUR POPULATION CONTINUES TO DECLINE SLIGHTLY. AND ONE OF THE
17 CHALLENGES THAT WE'RE ADDRESSING IS THE ISSUE THAT SHERYL
18 SPILLER BROUGHT UP ABOUT THE PEOPLE BEING DISCONTINUED. AND SO
19 WE HAVE A PROGRAM TO APPROACH ALL OF OUR CLIENTS TO ENGAGE
20 THEM IN THE PROCESS OF REAPPLICATION SO THAT THEY DON'T LOSE
21 THE COVERAGE AND BECOME A PART OF THAT UNINSURED INDIGENT
22 POPULATION. THIS SLIDE SHOWS THE PERCENTAGE OF NEW PEOPLE
23 COMING IN AND WHAT FUNDING SOURCE THEY HAVE. AND I THINK IT'S
24 SIGNIFICANT TO NOTE THAT THE NUMBER OF CLIENTS COMING IN EACH
25 MONTH INTO OUR SYSTEM IS ABOUT 50 PERCENT CHILDREN. SO THE

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1 E.P.S.D.T. AND M. CHIP PROGRAMS ARE THE TOP LINE THAT YOU SEE
2 THERE, IT DECLINES TRADITIONALLY DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS. THE
3 NEXT REPORT WILL SHOW THAT TOP LINE GOING BACK UP TO ABOUT 50
4 PERCENT BECAUSE WE PROVIDE A GREAT DEAL OF OUR MENTAL HEALTH
5 SERVICES THROUGH E.P.S.D.T. AND M. CHIP TO CHILDREN. ANOTHER
6 ASPECT OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT IS THE MEDICAL PLANS CAN
7 REFER TO US FOR URGENT APPOINTMENTS AND WE ARE REQUIRED TO
8 PROVIDE THAT URGENT APPOINTMENT WITHIN SEVEN DAYS. THIS CHART
9 INDICATES HOW WE'RE DOING WITH THAT. TWO THINGS I'D LIKE YOU
10 TO NOTE. ONE IS THAT THE NUMBER OF URGENT REFERRALS HAS
11 DRAMATICALLY INCREASED OVER THE MONTHS, WE EXPECT THAT TO
12 CONTINUE. AND THE SECOND THING I'D LIKE YOU TO NOTE IS THAT
13 DESPITE THE INCREASE IN REFERRALS, 80 PERCENT OF THE PEOPLE
14 WHO COME TO US WITH A NEED FOR AN URGENT APPOINTMENT ARE SEEN
15 WITHIN FOUR DAYS AND ALL OF THEM ARE SEEN WITHIN THE SEVEN
16 WEEKS -- I MEAN SEVEN-DAY REQUIREMENT. SO WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO
17 MEET OUR ACCESS REQUIREMENTS TO THIS POINT IN TIME. THE
18 BIGGEST THING THAT I THINK WE HAVE GOING ON, THE MOST EXCITING
19 PART OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT IMPLEMENTATION AND THE PART
20 THAT COULD SERVE AS THE THING THAT INTEGRATES CARE IS OUR
21 IMPLEMENTATION OF HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS. AS YOU MAY RECALL, THE
22 HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS OPERATE AT TWO LEVELS. AT ONE LEVEL, THEY
23 ARE A CONSORTIUM OF THE PRIMARY CARE, THE MENTAL HEALTH AND
24 THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROVIDERS THAT SERVE A PARTICULAR
25 COMMUNITY. AND THE GOAL THERE IS TO SHARE INFORMATION SO THAT

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1 THERE CAN BE A COMMON TREATMENT PLAN TO PRODUCE BETTER
2 OUTCOMES AS WELL AS A BETTER CLIENT EXPERIENCE AT LOWER COSTS.
3 BUT OUR HEALTH NEIGHBORHOOD IMPLEMENTATION ALSO FUNCTIONS AT
4 THE LEVEL OF THE COMMUNITY. AND THE GOAL OF THE HEALTH
5 NEIGHBORHOOD AT THE LEVEL OF THE COMMUNITY IS TO ENGAGE IN A
6 PROCESS WHEREBY WE MOBILIZE THE COMMUNITY SO THAT THE
7 COMMUNITY ITSELF CAN ENGAGE IN GRAPPLING WITH THE SOCIAL
8 DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH OUTCOMES AS THOSE EXIST IN THEIR
9 COMMUNITY. AND TO DO THAT, OBVIOUSLY, WE CAN'T START FROM
10 SCRATCH. SO WHAT WE HAVE DONE IS WE HAVE BUILT ON EXISTING
11 EFFORTS THAT EITHER FIRST FIVE L.A. OR THE CALIFORNIA
12 ENDOWMENT HAVE ALREADY DONE SO THAT WE CAN BUILD IN OUR HEALTH
13 NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT ON THE BASE OF SOMETHING
14 THAT IS ALREADY GOING ON. WE HAVE RECEIVED GREAT PARTNERSHIP
15 IN BUILDING THE CONSORTIUM OF HEALTH PROVIDERS FROM THE
16 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, FROM F.Q.H.C'S FROM SUBSTANCE
17 ABUSE PROVIDERS SO THAT THOSE CONSORTIA ARE STARTING TO COME
18 TOGETHER. BUT FOR THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM, WE HAVE
19 BEEN ABLE TO PARTNER PARTICULARLY WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
20 PUBLIC HEALTH TO LINK THE ALREADY POPULATION-FOCUSED EFFORTS
21 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WITH OUR HEALTH
22 NEIGHBORHOOD IMPLEMENTATION. WE'VE HAD TWO COMMUNITY FORA ON
23 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS. AND WE WERE
24 ABLE TO HAVE PRESENTERS FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT, FROM
25 THE HEALTH PLANS, FROM D.H.S., FROM D.P.H. AS WELL AS FROM THE

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1 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO ENGAGE THE PUBLIC IN GETTING
2 FEEDBACK ON HOW OUR IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE HEALTH
3 NEIGHBORHOODS ARE GOING. IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE'RE ACTIVELY
4 EXPLORING FUNDING MECHANISMS, BECAUSE THE HEALTH NEIGHBORHOOD
5 CONCEPT REALLY NEEDS TO BE SOMETHING THAT IS SUSTAINABLE AND
6 SOMETHING THAT WE'RE ABLE TO CARRY ON INTO THE FUTURE. TO THAT
7 END, WE ARE EXPLORING WITH OUR PARTNERS IN HEALTH SERVICES THE
8 USE OF THE DISTRICT IN 90/10 CARE RELATION FUNCTIONALITIES
9 THAT COME WITH THE WAIVER IN PROVIDING SOME OF THE RESOURCES
10 THAT WE NEED. IN ADDITION TO THAT, WE'VE MADE PRESENTATIONS TO
11 THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GRANT MAKERS AND TO CALIFORNIA
12 ENDOWMENT ABOUT EFFORTS THAT THEY MAY WANT TO TAKE TO SUPPORT
13 OUR EFFORTS. WE HAVE ENGAGED FAITH COMMUNITIES WHO HAVE BEEN
14 ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORTERS IN ALL OF THESE AREAS IN WAYS THAT WE
15 MIGHT BE ABLE TO MOVE THE HEALTH NEIGHBORHOOD CONCEPT FORWARD.
16 WE ARE ACTIVELY ENGAGED WITH ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS,
17 PARTICULARLY U.C.L.A. AND U.S.C. IN GETTING GRANT FUNDING,
18 FEDERAL GRANT FUNDING FOR THESE IMPLEMENTATIONS AND HAVE
19 ALREADY RECEIVED A COMMITMENT FROM U.C.L.A.'S CENTER FOR
20 MENTAL HEALTH EXCELLENCE TO FUND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
21 HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS. SO THE FUNDING MECHANISMS AREN'T IN
22 PLACE COMPLETELY. WE'VE GOT SOME COMMITMENTS ALREADY, BUT WE
23 HAVE A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES THAT THE PARTNERSHIP IS ACTIVELY
24 EXPLORING. THE NEXT STEP FOR US IS TO BEGIN THE PILOTS HEALTH
25 NEIGHBORHOODS WHICH WE WILL IMPLEMENT A PILOT COMMUNITY IN

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1 EACH OF THE EIGHT SERVICE AREAS AS A WAY OF MOVING THE PROCESS
2 FORWARD. BUT THESE HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS WILL ALWAYS EXIST AT
3 TWO LEVELS AT ONE LEVEL IT WOULD BE THE CONSORTIUM OF
4 PROVIDERS WORKING TOGETHER ON A COMMON POPULATION; AT THE
5 OTHER LEVEL, IT WILL BE AN EFFORT TO EMPOWER THE COMMUNITY TO
6 DEAL WITH THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS AS THEY SEE FIT. AND THEN,
7 FINALLY, WE HAVE BEEN CONTINUING TO ENROLL CLIENTS IN -- WE
8 HAVE AN ENROLLMENT GRANT. AS YOU SEE, THE ENROLLMENT PROCESS
9 WAS SLOW IN STARTING. IT HAS GAINED SOME STEAM. THE CONFIRMED
10 ENROLLMENT HAS BEEN DISAPPOINTING TO THIS POINT IN TIME BUT
11 THAT'S BECAUSE THE STATE HAS A 90-DAY BACKLOG ON PROCESSING
12 THE ENROLLMENT. SO IN THE NEXT REPORT, WE SHOULD SEE THOSE RED
13 COLUMNS GET LARGER. AND THE FINAL SLIDE, I BELIEVE, IS OUR
14 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE'RE DOING IS
15 PARTNERING WITH S.E.I.U. AND ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS AND TRAIN
16 OUR MENTAL HEALTH WORKFORCE BOTH IN OUR DIRECTLY OPERATED
17 CLINICS BUT ALSO IN COMMUNITY AGENCIES ON HOW TO DO THE HEALTH
18 ENGAGEMENT TO DEAL WITH THE HEALTH NEEDS OF OUR CLIENTELE. SO
19 S.E.I.U. HAS BEEN VERY HELPFUL IN THAT PROCESS AND WE CONTINUE
20 TO ENGAGE BOTH OUR WORKFORCE AND THE COMMUNITY IN THESE
21 TRAINING EFFORTS.

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS:** CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING? YOUR YOU HIT ON SOMETHING
24 THAT I'M INTERESTED IN TERMS OF THE WORK OF THE HEALTH
25 NAVIGATORS. I DIDN'T HEAR ANYBODY TALK ABOUT THE PROMOTORAS;

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1 I'M SURE THAT THERE ARE AREAS WHERE IT'S BEING UTILIZED IN
2 OTHER DEPARTMENTS, NOT JUST MENTAL HEALTH BUT HEALTH
3 NAVIGATORS, BECAUSE OF WORKFORCE TRAINING ISSUES. THOSE ARE SO
4 IMPORTANT IN HOW WE CAN EXTEND OUR REACH SO THAT WE DO REACH
5 ALL THE COMMUNITIES THAT NEED TO BE SERVED AND HOPEFULLY
6 PREVENT PEOPLE FROM DROPPING OFF THAT ARE ENROLLED AND MAY NOT
7 KNOW WHAT TO DO AND HOW TO MANEUVER THAT PROCESS. I'VE FOUND
8 THOSE PROGRAMS TO BE VERY HELPFUL AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL AND AT
9 THE STATE LEVEL. I THINK WE HAVE HERE IN CALIFORNIA MEMBERS
10 THAT REPRESENT I THINK OVER 5,000 INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE A PART
11 OF THE PROMOTORAS. I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU UTILIZE THEM?

12

13 **MARV SOUTHARD:** WE'RE ENCOURAGING IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE
14 PROMOTORA PROGRAM IN TWO LEVELS, SUPERVISOR. ONE OF THEM IS WE
15 HAVE FUNDED A PROGRAM THROUGH THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT
16 INNOVATION PROGRAM IN WHICH WE TRAINED A NUMBER OF MENTAL
17 HEALTH PROMOTORAS THAT ARE OPERATING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.
18 THE OUTCOMES FOR THE PROGRAM AS YOU HAVE INDICATED HAVE BEEN
19 REALLY OUTSTANDING. AND SO WE'RE GOING THROUGH A PROCESS OF
20 EXPANDING THE CONCEPT FROM PROMOTORAS SPECIFICALLY WORKING IN
21 LATINO COMMUNITIES TO A BROADER APPLICATION SO THERE ARE
22 HEALTH PROMOTERS WORKING IN ALL COMMUNITIES. SO THAT'S ONE
23 PROCESS THAT WE'RE FUNDING THROUGH MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT
24 AND OUR INNOVATIONS PROGRAM. A SECOND THING WE'RE DOING IS
25 WE'RE TRYING TO ENGAGE EACH OF OUR HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS AS

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1 THEY'RE DEVELOPING IN BEING INTERESTED IN HAVING THEIR OWN
2 PROMOTORA PROGRAM. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, WE'RE WORKING IN HAWTHORN-
3 LENNOX AREA WITH A CHURCH WHICH ALREADY HAD HEALTH PROMOTORAS,
4 SO WHAT WE HAVE DONE IS WORK AND TRAIN THAT GROUP OF SOME 40
5 PROMOTORAS CONNECTED WITH THAT PARTICULAR FAITH COMMUNITY ON
6 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. AND IT HAS BEEN A VERY GREAT SUCCESS.
7 AND WE'VE GOTTEN A LOT OF GOOD COMMUNITY FEEDBACK FOR THAT
8 WORK.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO FOR THE OTHER AGENCY HEADS HERE, OR HOW HAVE WE
11 UTILIZED OR HOW HAVE WE THOUGHT ABOUT UTILIZING THAT SAME
12 CONCEPT TO DO THE OUTREACH EVEN THROUGH OUR CLINICS AND OTHER
13 SUPPORT GROUPS THAT WE FUND OUT IN THE COMMUNITY?

14

15 **DR. MICHAEL KATZ:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, D.H.S. HAS NOW HIRED
16 25 PROMOTORAS, WHICH IS OUR FIRST FORAY, I BELIEVE. SUPERVISOR
17 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS HAD CARRIED THE ORIGINAL LEGISLATION. AND
18 WE'RE VERY EXCITED AND HOPE THAT WE CAN EXPAND THEIR EFFORTS
19 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

20

21 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WOULD HOPE THAT WE COULD CROSS, HOW CAN I SAY,
22 POLLENATE WITH THE OTHER DEPARTMENTS, ESPECIALLY D.P.S.S.
23 BECAUSE, I MEAN, I AM CONCERNED WITH THE RATE OF PEOPLE THAT
24 ARE FALLING OFF IN TERMS OF THE COLUMNS THAT YOU WENT THROUGH
25 THE APPLICATIONS THAT ARE BEING TURNED AROUND. AND I

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1 UNDERSTAND THAT THE STATE MOVES AT A SLOWER PACE, BUT
2 NONETHELESS, HOW RAPIDLY ARE WE ABLE TO GET BACK TO THOSE
3 PEOPLE THAT WE KNOW MAY JUST HAVE NOT RECEIVED ADEQUATE
4 INSTRUCTION? AND I LIKE WHAT MENTAL HEALTH HAS SAID, THAT YOU
5 ACTUALLY GO BACK OUT. WHY ARE WE NOT DOING THAT? OR IS IT JUST
6 BECAUSE THE NUMBERS ARE SO LARGE? OR IS THERE A WAY TO KIND OF
7 MAYBE THINK ABOUT THAT SO THAT WE CAN GO BACK TO THESE
8 INDIVIDUALS.

9

10 **SHERYL SPILLER:** IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE RENEWALS, WE'VE
11 TAKEN A LOT OF ACTION BY NOTICES FOR GOING OUT TO THE
12 OUTSTATION WORKERS THAT ALSO ARE CONTACTING PEOPLE. WE'VE BEEN
13 WORKING WITH ALL OF THE MANAGED CARE PROVIDERS. WE'VE ACTUALLY
14 DONE OUTBOUND CALLS. AND THEN HAD WORKERS TO DO LIVE CALLS ON
15 THE EVENINGS AND SATURDAYS. SO WE'VE DONE A TREMENDOUS
16 OUTREACH TO THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE UP FOR RENEWAL. ONE OF THE
17 THINGS THAT WE KNOW TOOK US A LONG TIME BEFORE WE GOT TO THIS
18 POINT BECAUSE OF SOME OF THE PROBLEMS THE STATE WAS HAVING,
19 THAT WE REFUSED TO ACTUALLY TERMINATE THESE PEOPLE UNTIL WE
20 KNEW ABSOLUTELY THAT WE HAD LOST CONTACT WITH THEM. SO ONE OF
21 THE THINGS WE'VE LOOKED AT IS THAT WE HAVEN'T HAD A RECURRENCE
22 OF THESE PEOPLE COMING BACK IN. WE THOUGHT THAT WE'D HAVE A
23 LARGE FLUCTUATION IN THESE PEOPLE ONCE WE TERMINATED THEM TO
24 COME BACK, AND THAT HASN'T HAPPENED. I MENTIONED THAT FOR
25 NOVEMBER WE WERE AT ABOUT 25 PERCENT NORMALLY BEFORE A.C.A. WE

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1 WERE TERMINATING ABOUT 20 PERCENT. SO IT SEEMS ON AVERAGE THAT
2 THAT GROUP OF PEOPLE GO OFF, EITHER THINGS HAPPEN IN THEIR
3 LIFE WHERE MAYBE THEY'VE GOTTEN A JOB, GOTTEN SOME OTHER KIND
4 OF INSURANCE OR MOVED AWAY OR SOMETHING SO THEY'RE NOT COMING
5 BACK.

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS:** BUT I DO WANT TO SEE SOME INFORMATION FROM YOUR
8 DATA TO SHOW ME WHAT KIND OF CONTACT THAT IS. SO A PHONE CALL
9 MAY NOT WORK FOR SOME OF THESE PEOPLE WHO ARE OUT LOOKING FOR
10 WORK OR WORKING OR NOT THERE OR MAY NOT EVEN HAVE A LAND LINE.
11 DO YOU HAVE THEIR CELL PHONE? THOSE THINGS COME UP. BUT I
12 WOULD LIKE TO SEE WHAT KIND OF EVALUATION WITH THAT, AND WHAT
13 THE REAL DATA SETS BECAUSE PERHAPS WE CAN LEARN FROM THAT.

14

15 **DIRECTOR SPILLER:** ABSOLUTELY. FOR THAT REASON, WE CALLED IN
16 THE EVENINGS AND WE CALLED ON WEEKENDS BUT ALSO WE CONTACTED
17 THE MANAGED CARE BECAUSE IF THESE PEOPLE ARE ACTUALLY
18 UTILIZING THOSE SERVICES, THEN THEY, AT THAT POINT COULD ALSO
19 ENCOURAGE THEM. WE ALSO DID EX PARTE REVIEWS, THEREFORE IF
20 SOMEBODY IS RECEIVING CALFRESH OR G.R., EVEN THOUGH THEY
21 DIDN'T RESPOND TO THE MEDI-CAL, WE KNEW THEY WERE STILL IN THE
22 SYSTEM, SO WE DID NOT TERMINATE THOSE PEOPLE.

23

24 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WANT TO SEE THE DATA AND SEE WHAT POPULATION
25 LOOKS LIKE. THANK YOU

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2 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** ALL RIGHT. MR. MAYOR, THAT CONCLUDES ON
3 BEHALF OF ME AND MY COLLEAGUES, WE SO MUCH APPRECIATE THE
4 SUPPORT OF YOUR BOARD ON THESE ISSUES. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. KUEHL:** I JUST HAD A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION ABOUT MEDI-CAL
7 ENROLLMENT D.P.S.S., ONE OF THE THINGS THAT ONE OF THE SLIDES
8 SAID, NEW PROGRAM, THAT THERE IS NO CHANGE IN THE DATA, WE
9 WILL AUTOMATICALLY RENEW. BUT HOW DO YOU GET THE NEW DATA TO
10 UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S NO CHANGE? IS IT A FEDERAL?

11

12 **DIRECTOR SPILLER:** WELL, THIS IS A NEW SYSTEM. THE DATA'S
13 ALREADY ON OUR SYSTEM. AND WHAT'S HAPPENING IS THAT THAT IS
14 COMPARED TO WHAT'S AT THE FEDERAL HUB. AND FOR THE MOST PART,
15 WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THINGS LIKE IF THE INCOME MATCHES OR MAKE
16 SURE THERE'S NO PROBLEMS WITH SOCIAL SECURITY. SO THE INCOME
17 ON OUR SYSTEM TO MAKE SURE THERE'S BEEN NO CHANGE. IF
18 EVERYTHING MATCHES UP, THEY WILL AUTOMATICALLY RENEW. IF NOT,
19 IF, FOR EXAMPLE, WE SEE A DIFFERENCE IN THE INCOME, THEN WHAT
20 WE'LL DO IS PRINT OUT A FORM THAT SHOWS THAT DIFFERENCE AND
21 SEND IT TO THE FAMILY AND THEN THEY'LL HAVE TO CLARIFY THAT SO
22 THAT WE CAN RENEW. SO THERE WILL BE SOMETHING FOR THEM TO DO,
23 ALTHOUGH IT'S MINIMAL TO COMPARE TO WHAT THEY HAVE TO DO RIGHT
24 NOW TO RENEW.

25

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** I'M VERY HAPPY TO SEE THAT YOU'RE TAKING THE
2 INITIATIVE TO DO THAT BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE THINGS
3 OR DON'T KNOW NECESSARILY, BUT ONE OF THE THINGS I LEARNED AT
4 THE STATE IS THAT WE GENERALLY, IN OUR BUDGET DELIBERATIONS,
5 COUNT IT AS A SAVINGS, THAT IS SCORE IT AS A SAVINGS,
6 PREDICTING THAT PEOPLE WILL DROP OFF OF MEDI-CAL BECAUSE WE
7 MAKE IT SO DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO RENEW.

8

9 **DIRECTOR SPILLER:** ABSOLUTELY.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND THAT'S SUPPOSED TO BE A GOOD THING FOR THE
12 BUDGET. THE COUNTY HAS A DIFFERENT POINT OF VIEW, I ASSUME. I
13 KNOW ALL OF YOU DO. WHERE WE WANT TO THE BEST WE CAN TO KEEP
14 THEM ON. SO IF THERE'S ANYTHING ELSE THAT WE CAN DO TO IMPROVE
15 YOUR ABILITY TO ACCESS DATA, IT MAY BE VERY SLOW FROM OTHER
16 SOURCES OR WHATEVER, JUST TO HELP KEEP PEOPLE IN THE SYSTEM
17 BECAUSE IT'S SO DIFFICULT FOR THEM. THEY JUST GIVE UP, AS YOU
18 SAID.

19

20 **DIRECTOR SPILLER:** WE HAVE SOME EARLY RESULTS FROM THE NEW
21 SYSTEM. AND I THINK FOR THE FIRST AND SECOND MONTH, WE'RE
22 RIGHT AROUND 50 PERCENT OF THOSE CASES MATCH. AND FOR THIS
23 COUNTY, THAT'S A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE. SO THAT'S A WORKLOAD.
24 AND PEOPLE THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT TRYING TO
25 OUTREACH TO TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY MAINTAIN THEIR COVERAGE.

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2 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? OKAY, SUPERVISOR
5 KNABE?

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** DR. KATZ, IN THE EARLIER PART, I CAN'T REMEMBER
8 EXACTLY WHAT PAGE, IF IT WAS PAGE 2 OR 3, YOU TALKED ABOUT ONE
9 OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS WE MAKE IS THAT 7 PERCENT NUMBER LOOKS
10 EXTREMELY LOW ON THE NUMBER OF NEW PATIENTS CHOOSING TO
11 ENROLL. MOST OF THAT'S BY DEFAULT. IS THAT THROUGH L.A. CARE?
12 OR HOW ARE WE BEING MORE AGGRESSIVE IN ATTRACTING?

13

14 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** SO THE WAY THE PROGRAM WORKS, SUPERVISOR,
15 WHEN SOMEBODY ORIGINALLY ENROLLS IN MEDI-CAL, THE FIRST MONTH
16 THEY'RE FEE FOR SERVICE. WHEN THE STATE SENDS THEM A PACKET.
17 AND AS SUPERVISOR KUEHL SAID, IT ISN'T THE MOST USER-FRIENDLY
18 PACKET THAT THEY RECEIVE. AND LAW ACTUALLY PROHIBITS PROVIDERS
19 FROM SOLICITING PEOPLE. SO WE'RE NOT ALLOWED TO CONTACT THEM
20 IN THAT PROCESS.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** PLUS THEY HAVE TO OPEN THEIR MAIL, TOO.

23

24 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** RIGHT. THEY HAVE TO OPEN THEIR MAIL. AND WE
25 CAN'T SAY, BY THE WAY, YOU'RE GOING TO GET THIS ENVELOPE,

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1 PLEASE LOOK AT IT AND CHOOSE US. BUT WHAT YOUR DEPUTY HAD
2 HELPED ME TO SEE IS THAT IT'S REALLY NOT 7 PERCENT, IT'S 36
3 PERCENT BECAUSE 29 PERCENT OF THEM CHOOSE US HAVING HAD
4 PREVIOUS CONTACT WITH THEM. SO, AND THEN THE 64 PERCENT OF THE
5 PEOPLE WHO WERE CHOOSING US, WHO WERE NOT CHOOSING US, THEY'RE
6 DEFAULTING TO US. SO YOU HAVE TO ADD THE OTHER TWO SO IT'S 26
7 PERCENT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT DEFAULT PIECE IS OUT OF L.A. CARE, THEN
10 PRIMARILY, THE MAJORITY OF THEM?

11

12 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** RIGHT THEY ARE DEFAULTING BOTH OUR OF L.A.
13 CARE AND WHO THEIR PROVIDER IS. THEY'RE COMING TO US.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE SOME PUBLIC SPEAKERS.
18 TERESIJSA SIGMUND. SHEILA WARD. PATRICK O'ROURKE. ARNOLD
19 SACHS.

20

21 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** HELLO, MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE AGAIN
22 FROM SANTA MONICA. SHEILA KUEHL, CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR
23 NOMINATION AND WIN OVER THE SEAT OF SUPERVISOR. I WANTED TO
24 COMMENT ON -- MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S CERTAIN POINTS THAT IS IN
25 THE TOP OF THE MINDS OF THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS; THAT IS,

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1 THAT 70 PERCENT ACCORDING TO FEDERAL STATISTICS, 70 PERCENT OF
2 ALL WELFARE RECIPIENTS ARE CHILDREN, THE ELDERLY AND THE
3 MENTALLY DISABLED. WE NEED TO REMEMBER THAT. MENTALLY AND
4 PHYSICALLY DISABLED, CHILDREN AND THE ELDERLY. IF WE RESTRICT
5 THEM OR CREATE A PROBLEM FOR THEM TO ACCESS SERVICES, THEN WE
6 ARE DENYING OUR MOST VULNERABLE CITIZENS ACCESS TO NEEDED AND
7 NECESSARY HEALTH CARE AND PROTECTIONS. I WANT TO NOTE THAT I
8 AM THE REPRESENTATIVE OF A LADY WHO WENT TO THE GROW PROGRAM
9 TODAY. SHE WENT INTO A CLASS THAT'S ADMINISTERED BY AN OUTSIDE
10 AGENCY, A PRIVATE AGENCY. AND ALTHOUGH I WAS TOLD BY THE
11 SOCIAL WORKER WITHIN D.C.F.S. OFFICE OVER THERE AT CRENSHAW --
12 NOT CRENSHAW, CAHUENGA AND PICO, I WAS TOLD THAT I WAS NOT
13 ABLE TO ATTEND THE CLASS WITH HER AND OVERSEE, MAKE SURE THAT
14 SHE'S DOING EVERYTHING THAT SHE NEEDS TO DO. THAT IS
15 INCONSISTENT WITH WHAT I WAS TOLD THAT I WAS ALLOWED TO DO AS
16 HER REPRESENTATIVE. THOUGH I WAS REFUSED, I ASKED AGAIN TO GO
17 AHEAD, THAT I WAS HER REPRESENTATIVE, REINSTATED THAT. AND I
18 WAS REFUSED. SO I'M HERE TODAY TO GO AHEAD AND MAKE SURE THAT
19 THOSE PEOPLE WHO HAVE PROBLEMS ACCESSING THE SYSTEM, THAT
20 THEY'RE GIVEN SPECIAL -- SOMETHING TO HELP THEM ALONG, THAT
21 THE PEOPLE WHO KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING, THAT THEY DO IT RIGHT
22 AND THESE PEOPLE BE ALLOWED TO ACCESS THE PROGRAM. THANK YOU.
23 SORRY I COULDN'T BE MORE ELOQUENT.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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1
2 **SHELIAH WARD:** GREETINGS IN THE SPIRIT OF THE MOST HIGH. I'M
3 SHELIAH WARD. I'D LIKE TO WELCOME THE TWO NEW FIRST DISTRICT
4 AND THIRD DISTRICT. MAYBE YOU WILL GET SOME THINGS DONE NOW. I
5 HAVEN'T HEARD ANYBODY SPEAK ON AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION, THE
6 POUND OF CURE. I HAVEN'T HEARD ANYBODY SPEAK ON "OF COURSE I'M
7 MENTALLY ILL, YOU TOOK MY CHILDREN FROM ME, I LOST MY JOB,
8 I'VE GOT EVICTED, THERE'S NO WHERE FROM ME TO GO" THE ONE
9 BUILDING THEY SHOWED, THAT'S PREPOSTEROUS. THAT'S NOT BIG
10 ENOUGH FOR THE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE THAT ARE DOWNTOWN HOMELESS
11 AS A RESULT OF OUR SYSTEM BEING BROKEN. IT'S NOT ADEQUATE
12 WHATEVER WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY IS NOT PLEASING THE PEOPLE.
13 THE CHILDREN ARE STILL HOMELESS. YOU'RE PUTTING THE PEOPLE IN
14 -- I HAVE MET SO MANY PEOPLE IN LEIMERT PARK THAT CAME CRYING
15 TO ME THAT THEIR CHILDREN WERE TAKEN. ONE LADY TOLD ME SHE
16 LOST HER JOB, SHE LOST HER CHILDREN. THEN WHEN SHE WENT TO
17 COURT, THEY TOOK HER CHILDREN FROM HER BECAUSE SHE COULDN'T
18 FIND A JOB. AND NOW HER CHILDREN ARE IN FOSTER CARE WITH SOME
19 WOMAN THAT HAS 15 CHILDREN BEING PAID. WHY CAN'T WE PAY OUR
20 MOTHERS AND THE PARENTS OF THE CHILDREN WHO ARE THE CHILDREN?
21 WHY ARE STRANGERS BEING PAID MORE MONEY TO KEEP OUR CHILDREN
22 THAN WE, THE PEOPLE WHO THE CHILDREN BELONG TO? SO IF THIS IS
23 A DIRECT RESULT OF PEOPLE WANTING TO DO THE HEINOUS THINGS
24 THAT YOU SEE GOING ON AROUND THE WORLD, SHOOTING POLICE
25 OFFICERS AND THEN MURDERING MYSELF BECAUSE I'M MENTALLY

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1 DISTRAUGHT. SO DO WE WANT MORE OF THIS? OR DO WE WANT TO CURE
2 THIS SITUATION WHERE WE HAVE OUR FAMILIES COMING BACK
3 TOGETHER? WE DO MORE FOR REUNITING ANIMALS TO COME TOGETHER AS
4 FAMILIES THAN WE DO PEOPLE. THIS IS THE FUTURE WHEN HIGH TECH.
5 WE ARE IN COMPUTERS. AND EVERYBODY IS WATCHING. AND NOBODY'S
6 TOLERATING THIS ANYMORE. SO I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT YOU'RE HERE.
7 AND I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT THERE'S ANOTHER LADY HERE, AS WELL.
8 MAYBE YOU CAN BE MORE COMPASSIONATE IN MAKING SURE THAT AN
9 OUNCE OF PREVENTION IS WORTH A POUND OF CURE. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO DR. GENEVIEVE
12 CLAVREUL?

13

14 **TERESSIJA SIGMUND:** YOU MAKE TOO MUCH SENSE, LADY. WHY WOULD I
15 BOTHER COMING HERE WHEN YOU HEAR THIS WOMAN IS JUST SO
16 AMAZINGLY SAYING EXACTLY POINT ON WHAT THE DEAL IS. THAT'S
17 JUST SO BEAUTIFUL. I AM TOUCHED. MY OWN CHILD -- CHILDREN WHEN
18 THEY WERE FORCED INTO FOSTER CARE DEVELOPED MENTAL ISSUES.
19 THEY TRIED TO BLAME ME FOR THEM WHILE THEY WERE PERFECTLY FINE
20 WHILST IN MY CARE. WHILE MY SON WHO WILL SPEAK LATER TO ABUSE
21 SEXUALLY AS WELL AS HIS PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY THAT HAS BEEN
22 SUBJECTED TO, WHILE I HAD TO FIGHT HERE AND NONE OF YOU DID
23 ANYTHING HERE. OBVIOUSLY PRESENT COMPANY EXCLUDED WHO WASN'T
24 EVEN THERE. AND THE TICKS THAT MY SON HAD WITH THE WEIRD THING
25 WITH HIS EYES TWITCHING, HE DID IT WITH HIS HANDS, THEY DON'T

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1 HAVE CHILDREN THAT DO THAT. WHAT IS THAT? HE GOT NO HELP FOR
2 THAT. HE GOT TIES TO ADOPTION THERAPY. THAT'S NOT THERAPY.
3 THAT'S SCHOOLING YOU THAT YOU BETTER NOT TALK OR LOVE YOUR
4 MOTHER AND GET WARMED UP WITH THE IDEA THAT YOU WILL BE LIVING
5 WITH STRANGERS FOREVER. I ALWAYS SAID GOD WOULD GIVE ME MY
6 CHILDREN BACK. IT SURE WAS GOD AND NONE OF YOU. YOU PRESIDE
7 OVER THESE MONSTERS? WHAT IS THIS? WHO HELPED MY CHILDREN WHEN
8 I CAME HERE EVERY WEEK SAYING THIS IS WRONG, THIS IS WRONG,
9 THIS IS CRAZY, MY SON IS ACTING SEXUAL, MY OTHER CHILD IS
10 HAVING THESE WEIRD THINGS. I'M VERY GLAD TO SAY MY CHILD
11 DOESN'T HAVE TICKS ANYMORE, HE DOESN'T DO THINGS ANYMORE.
12 HE'LL TELL YOU HIMSELF BECAUSE HE'S HOME. WHERE HUMAN BEINGS
13 BELONG. UNLESS THE MOTHER, IF I WAS REALLY ALL THOSE BAD
14 THINGS YOU CLAIMED I WAS WHY WOULDN'T YOU REACH OUT TO ME AND
15 TRY TO HELP ME BEING ALL THESE HORRIBLE THINGS WITHOUT A
16 CRIMINAL RECORD, BY THE WAY, ALTHOUGH I WAS ALLEGED SO
17 CRIMINAL. WHERE WAS ALL THE HELP? YOU HAVE ALL THESE GREAT
18 MEETINGS AND DR. KATZ I'M SURE GOT A GOOD JOB, BUT WHERE IS
19 ALL THAT HELP TO THE ACTUAL PEOPLE WHO COME HERE AND SAY HELP?
20 WHAT ARE THE MEETINGS FOR? IS IT A CHARADE OR ARE YOU GOING TO
21 ACTUALLY HELP AND PREVENT THIS DISASTER?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO JACQUES CARR, MR. SACHS?

24

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. WE
2 HAVE ALL THIS DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW THE COUNTY IS HARD AT WORK
3 AND ALL THESE DEPARTMENTS ARE HARD AT WORK SIGNING UP PEOPLE.
4 BUT JUST OUT OF CURIOSITY, EXCLUDING FOOD STAMP RECIPIENTS,
5 BECAUSE FOOD STAMP RECIPIENTS ARE AUTOMATICALLY SIGNED UP FOR
6 THIS AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. HOW MANY PEOPLE HAS THE COUNTY
7 ACTUALLY SIGNED UP OUTSIDE OF THAT. HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE
8 GETTING FOOD STAMPS IN THE COUNTY WITH THEIR FAMILIES THAT
9 WOULD BE INCLUDED FOR THIS AFFORDABLE CARE ACT? WE HEARD SOME
10 DISCUSSION ABOUT A REHABILITATION WITHIN THE AFFORDABLE CARE
11 ACT. HOW DOES THAT EXTEND TO THE A.B.109 POPULATION? BECAUSE
12 WE HEAR A LOT FROM THE JAILS THAT THE A.B.109 POPULATION
13 REHABILITATION TO PREVENT RECIDIVISM, WHERE IS THE CROSS
14 CONNECTING BETWEEN THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THAT
15 POPULATION? IT'S ALMOST SOMEWHAT FASCINATING HERE. YOU HAVE
16 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
17 HEALTH, THE PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF
18 HEALTH. AND YET YOU JUST HAD A PRESENTATION FOR D.C.F.S. AND
19 ALL THE SILOS THAT ARE CREATED WITHIN D.C.F.S. BUT THESE FOUR
20 HEALTH DEPARTMENTS ARE MAJOR COMPONENTS OF A PROGRAM THAT YOU
21 WANT TO IMPLEMENT FOR D.C.F.S. AND TURN THAT AROUND. SO IF
22 THEY CAN WORK TOGETHER FOR THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, HOW COME
23 THEY CANNOT WORK TOGETHER TO IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM THAT WOULD BE
24 BENEFICIAL FOR D.C.F.S. AND THE CHILDREN THAT DEPEND ON THE
25 SERVICES THAT WOULD BE AFFORDED BY THESE DEPARTMENTS? JUST A

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1 SIMPLE QUESTION. YOU'RE SHOWING BUT YOU'RE NOT PROVING AND
2 DOING.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DOCTOR?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** YES. FIRST OFF I'D LIKE TO SAY GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD
7 MEMBERS. AND I'M HERE TO ADDRESS THE ISSUES OR THE SUBJECT OF
8 ITEM NO. 49 AS INTRODUCED BY THOSE DEDICATED HEALTH
9 PROFESSIONALS THAT JUST LEFT THE SEATS HERE. THEY INTRODUCED A
10 PERSPECTIVE OF COMMUNITY PSYCHOLOGY WITHIN THEIR PRESENTATION
11 IN REGARDS TO HAVING OUTREACH CLINICS IN COMMUNITIES, VARIOUS
12 COMMUNITIES FOR MENTAL HEALTH PURPOSES. YOU KNOW, THAT'S A
13 CONCEPT THAT WAS INTRODUCED IN THE LATE '60S, EARLY '70S YOU
14 THAT WAS PROVEN TO BE UNPRODUCTIVE AND IT WASN'T AS FAVORABLE
15 AS IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN WITH THE CONSTITUENTS AND THE RESIDENTS
16 OF THE COMMUNITIES THAT THOSE SATELLITE OFFICES WERE PLACED IN
17 SIMPLY FOR THE REASON THAT MANY OF THE PATIENTS BECAME
18 EXTREMELY ATTACHED TO THE FACILITIES AND WERE MORE LIKELY TO
19 HANG AROUND IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD INSTEAD OF GO HOME. AND THAT
20 BROUGHT DOWN PROPERTY VALUES. I KNOW THAT'S A GREAT CONCERN OF
21 MANY HOMEOWNERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY THAT
22 SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO REGARD WHEN CONSIDERING WHETHER OR NOT TO
23 PLACE THESE FACILITIES WITHIN RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES. I FOR
24 ONE I THINK, YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE TO BE VERY SELECTIVE ON WHAT
25 COMMUNITY YOU PLACE THOSE FACILITIES IN OR THOSE SATELLITE

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1 OFFICES IN. I THINK IT COULD BE VERY GOOD; IT COULD BE A VERY
2 PRODUCTIVE THING AND SOMETHING THAT L.A. COUNTY CAN
3 APPRECIATE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. DOCTOR?

6

7 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
8 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WILL REINTEGRATE THAT TO GET THE
9 REPORT JUST A FEW MINUTES BEFORE THE MEETING IS UNACCEPTABLE,
10 ESPECIALLY FOR A REPORT DEALING WITH SUCH CRUCIAL ISSUES.
11 THAT'S A STYLE DR. KATZ HAS DONE REPEATEDLY SINCE HE HAS BEEN
12 WORKING HERE. AND I WOULD LIKE THIS TO BE CURED. IT IS A VERY
13 COMPLEX ISSUE. I THINK SOME MARKETING NEED TO BE DONE ABOUT
14 L.A. CARE. L.A. CARE HAS A VERY POOR REPUTATION AMONG PEOPLE
15 IN THE COUNTY. ALSO, CONTRARY TO THE EXPECTATION, WE ARE
16 HAVING MORE PEOPLE USE EMERGENCY CARE THAN BEFORE. AND THAT IS
17 SOMETHING THAT WOULD NEED TO TAKE CARE OF. ALSO, PHYSICIANS
18 STARTING NOW ARE GOING TO GET LESS MONEY TO TAKE CARE OF
19 PATIENTS. AND THAT'S A TERRIBLE ISSUE BECAUSE MANY OF THOSE
20 PHYSICIANS ARE GOING TO REFUSE THE CARE OF PATIENTS. I'M ALSO
21 VERY CONCERNED THAT I WAS HOPING WITH THE NEW SUPERVISORS
22 COMING ON WE WOULD HAVE A BETTER ACCESS TO SOME ISSUES. BUT
23 EARLIER TODAY, I ASKED HOW LONG IT WILL TAKE TO GET THE NAME
24 OF SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SOLIS TO BE CHANGED BOTH ON THE
25 WEBSITE AND ON THE D.V.R. AND SO AND AND I WAS TOLD IT WOULD

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1 TAKE A LONG TIME. I MEAN, COME ON. YOU CANNOT CHANGE THE NAME
2 AND IT IS GOING TO TAKE WEEKS? AND WE HAVE THE HEALTH AND THE
3 WELL-BEING OF PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY DEPENDING UPON YOU GUYS?
4 PLEASE. IT TAKES FIVE MINUTES TO MAKE THAT CHANGE. SO THAT'S
5 OF GREAT CONCERN TO ME. AND ALSO WHEN I WAS ASKED TO HAVE A
6 MEETING WITH ONE OF YOU, I WAS TOLD YOU WERE SO IMPORTANT AND
7 TOO BUSY TO DO THAT. ONE THING IN LIFE I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED,
8 NEVER TO BE THAT POWERFUL WHERE PEOPLE COULD NOT HAVE ACCESS
9 TO ME.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THE SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
12 MOVES, I'LL SECOND TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT. OKAY. SARAH
13 SAGE. BARBARA COURT. STEVEN LEE. JOSE MARTINEZ.

14

15 **SARA SAGE:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS SARA SAGE. I'M
16 HERE TO TALK ABOUT SOMETHING I CARE ABOUT DEEPLY. THE ISSUE IS
17 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND ITS COMPLETE ABSENCE FROM THE
18 EXPANSION E.I.R. THIS ISSUE WILL BE A RECURRING PERSISTENT
19 THEME IN THE FIGHT AGAINST THE EXPANSION, IT WILL CONTINUE,
20 NOT GO AWAY BECAUSE NO MATTER HOW YOU LOOK AT IT, THE COUNTY
21 IS PROPOSING TO PUT THE NATION'S LARGEST LANDFILL OPERATION AT
22 THE HEELS OF THE LOW INCOME LATINO COMMUNITY, MY COMMUNITY OF
23 VAL VERDE. I DO NOT KNOW WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT VAL VERDE SO I
24 WILL PROVIDE A SHORT HISTORY. VAL VERDE IS A VERY BEAUTIFUL
25 PLACE. IT WAS FOUNDED AS AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN DESTINATION

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1 DURING THE YEARS OF SEGREGATION IN EARLY LOS ANGELES WHEN
2 BLACKS COULD NOT ATTEND PUBLIC POOLS, RESORTS OR MANY
3 RESTAURANTS. VAL VERDE WAS A THRIVING COMMUNITY FOR DECADES
4 INHABITED BY ACTORS SUCH AS HADDIE MCDANIELS, LOUISE BEAVERS,
5 AND JAMES EARL JONES. BY 1972, THE NEARBY PRISTINE CHIQUITA
6 CANYON BECAME HOME TO A LANDFILL. AT THE TIME THERE WAS A
7 VOCAL BUT LITTLE HEARD MINORITY COMMUNITY THAT OPPOSED IT. NOW
8 VAL VERDE IS INHABITED BY A LARGE MAJORITY OF WORKING CLASS
9 LATINOS, A FEW OF THE ORIGINAL RESIDENTS HAVE REMAINED, THE
10 LANDFILL HAS GROWN TO BE THE SECOND LARGEST IN THE STATE AND
11 SET TO BECOME THE SECOND LARGEST LANDFILL OPERATION IN THE
12 NATION IF THIS EXPANSION IS APPROVED. IT WILL BE THE NEXT
13 PUENTE HILLS. PER THE LATEST U.S. CENSUS, A.C.S. FIVE-YEAR
14 ESTIMATE 66 PERCENT OF OUR RESIDENTS BELONG TO A MINORITY
15 GROUP, 54 PERCENT SPEAK SPANISH AT HOME, AND 32.7 PERCENT OF
16 RESIDENTS, ALMOST A THIRD, DO NOT HAVE A HIGH SCHOOL DEGREE.
17 IF YOU VISIT THE ONLY STORE IN OUR TOWN, YOU WILL BE MORE
18 LIKELY TO FIND POPORINO, TORTILLAS AND PICARE INSTEAD OF
19 ORGANIC VEGETABLES AND MACARONI AND CHEESE. WE ARE A WELL-
20 KNOWN MINORITY COMMUNITY, YET THE E.I.R. STATES WE ARE NOT.
21 NOT A SINGLE PAGE OF THE E.I.R. WAS TRANSLATED INTO SPANISH
22 DEPRIVINGTHE MAJORITY OF OUR RESIDENTS THEIR RIGHT TO
23 MEANINGFUL PARTICIPATION. THANK YOU.
24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. EXCUSE ME. JOSE MARTINEZ?

2 HOLD ON ONE SECOND. AND ERICA LARSEN? AND JEREMIAH DOCKRAY?

3 OKAY. OKAY, MA'AM.

4

5 **BARBARA COURT:** OKAY. MY NAME IS BARBARA COURT. AND I FIRST
6 WANT TO THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE CHANCE TO SHARE MY STORY
7 WITH YOU. I LIVE IN VAL VERDE, CALIFORNIA. I LIVE IN THE
8 NEIGHBORHOOD CLOSEST TO THE LANDFILL. I LIVE WITH MY HUSBAND
9 AND MY TWO CHILDREN AND THREE OTHER RELATIVES. THERE ARE DAYS
10 OUR NEIGHBORS DO NOT EVEN GO OUTSIDE BECAUSE OF THE SMELLS
11 THAT DRENCH OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. BUT THAT IS ONLY A SMALL PART OF
12 THE PROBLEM. FOR SOME REASON, MY ENTIRE FAMILY IS EXHAUSTED
13 ALL THE TIME. WE ARE JUST LETHARGIC FOR DAYS ON END. MY
14 NEIGHBORS WILL TELL ME THE SAME EXACT STORY. I BROUGHT THIS TO
15 THE ATTENTION OF THE BOARD THAT SITS WITH THE LANDFILL, BUT
16 THEY JUST REPLIED "YOU KNEW YOU WERE MOVING NEXT TO A
17 LANDFILL. YOU SHOULD HAVE DONE YOUR RESEARCH". WHEN MY FAMILY
18 MOVED IN, WE DID RESEARCH IT. IT WAS THE LANDFILL THAT NO
19 SMELLS EVER ESCAPE FROM. OTHER LANDFILLS CALL THEM TO SEE HOW
20 THEY CONTAIN THE SMELLS. WELL, IT IS NOT THE LANDFILLS THAT IS
21 ODORLESS, IT SMELLS ALL THE TIME. THE NEIGHBORS SAY THEY ARE
22 AFRAID TO COMPLAIN BECAUSE THEY HAVE COMPLAINED IN THE PAST
23 AND THEN COUNTY OFFICIALS WOULD COME OUT TO GIVE THEM A TICKET
24 FOR SOME SORT OF VIOLATION OF THEIR PROPERTY. IF THEY COULD
25 NOT FIND A VIOLATION, THEY WOULD JUST KEEP COMING OUT. I AM

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1 HERE TODAY BECAUSE NO ONE FROM ANY AGENCY SEEMS TO HEAR HOW
2 SICK WE ARE IN VAL VERDE. PLEASE GIVE ME AND MY FAMILY THE
3 CHANCE TO DO IT IN FRONT OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING
4 COMMISSIONERS. LET MY NEIGHBORS TALK TO A LIVE PERSON, NOT
5 JUST A RECORDING. I SPOKE AT THE VAL VERDE COMMUNITY ADVISORY
6 COMMITTEE. THIS IS A COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY MR. ANTONOVICH.
7 AND HE OVERSEES IT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **BARBARA COURT:** WHEN THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE --

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. YOU CAN SUBMIT THAT
14 FOR THE RECORD, THOUGH, THE REST OF YOUR COMMENTS. YES, SIR.

15

16 **STEVE LEE:** I'M STEVE LEE FROM THE VAL VERDE CIVIC ASSOCIATION
17 AND THE RESIDENTS OF VAL VERDE. I'M A MEMBER OF THE VAL VERDE
18 CIVIC ASSOCIATION. THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION HELD A
19 HEARING IN OUR COMMUNITY BEFORE A HEARING EXAMINER ON JULY
20 31STS LAST YEAR. WHILE WE APPRECIATE THE COMING OUT TO HEAR
21 OUR COMMUNITY NONE OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSIONERS WHO
22 ARE THE DECISION MAKERS FOR THIS PROJECT WERE IN ATTENDANCE.
23 CLOSE TO 100 COMMUNITY MEMBERS SPOKE AGAINST THE PROJECT
24 TELLING OF THE HEALTH PROBLEMS AND THE VIOLATIONS BY THE
25 LANDFILL BUT NONE OF THE PLANNING COMMISSIONERS WERE THERE TO

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1 HEAR THIS PROBLEM. NOW WE UNDERSTAND THAT WE WILL NOT BE GIVEN
2 A HEARING BEFORE THE COMMISSION DURING THE DRAFT PERIOD OF THE
3 E.I.R. BUT ONLY ON THE FINAL E.I.R. WE OBJECT THAT THIS IS NOT
4 A FAIR PROCESS. THE HEARING EXAMINER DOES NOT MAKE THE
5 DECISION, AND WAITING UNTIL THE FINAL E.I.R. TO HEAR THE
6 COMMUNITY IS TOO LATE. NOT EVEN OUR COMMISSIONER REPRESENTING
7 THE FIFTH DISTRICT WAS IN ATTENDANCE. WE THEREFORE REQUEST
8 THAT YOU INSTRUCT THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO HOLD A
9 HEARING ON THE DRAFT E.I.R. SO THAT ALL COMMISSIONERS CAN HEAR
10 THE CONCERNS OF OUR COMMUNITY. THE BURDEN OF VAL VERDE
11 RESIDENTS AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS HAS BEEN SEVERE ON OUR
12 HEALTH. AND MANY WHO HAVE CARRIED OUT THE BURDEN ARE NO LONGER
13 WITH US. THE SUFFERING OF OUR HEALTH AND THE HEALTH OF OUR
14 CHILDREN HAS ALSO BEEN SEVERE FOR THE LAST 42 YEARS. WE ARE
15 THE POOREST COMMUNITY IN SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. AGAIN BECAUSE
16 OF OUR HEALTH, THE HEALTH OF OUR CHILDREN AND OUR FAMILIES'
17 HEALTH, WE REQUEST A HEARING IN FRONT OF REGIONAL PLANNING
18 COMMISSION DRAFT E.I.R. IN VAL VERDE, WE ARE FIGHTING FOR A
19 FULL DAY OF UNOBSTRUCTED BREATHING. THE RESIDENTS OF VAL VERDE
20 AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES WERE NEVER GIVEN THE CHANCE FOR A
21 HEARING IN FRONT OF THE FIVE LOS ANGELES PLANNING
22 COMMISSIONERS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE IF WE WOULD BE GIVEN THAT
23 CHANCE DURING THE DRAFT E.I.R. PERIOD WHEN THERE IS STILL TIME
24 TO MAKE CHANGES TO THIS PROPOSAL. VAL VERDE HAS A CONTRACT
25 WITH THE LANDFILL. THE CONTRACT SAYS THE LANDFILL WILL CLOSE.

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1 THE COUNTY HAS IGNORED THAT CONTRACT. A SPOKESPERSON FOR
2 ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE SAID THAT COMMISSIONERS DO NOT HEAR FROM
3 THE CONCERNED RESIDENTS FACE-TO-FACE. THEY DO NOT WANT IT TO
4 BIAS THEIR DECISION. SUPERVISORS DON'T LISTEN TO THE
5 CONSTITUENTS? WHEN MALIBU SCHOOLS, LOS ANGELES UNIFIED AND
6 MANY OTHERS HAD TAINTED SOIL PEOPLE LISTENED. THE RESULT WAS
7 THAT SOIL WAS SENT TO VAL VERDE LANDFILL. OUR CHILDREN PLAY
8 900 FEET FROM THAT LANDFILL. OUR TOWN STARTS 900 FEET FROM
9 THAT LANDFILL. VAL VERDE HAD A VOTE, 100 PERCENT OF THE
10 RESIDENTS VOTED AGAINST THE EXPANSION THE WAY IT IS WRITTEN. I
11 SEE ON YOUR WALLS: THE GOVERNMENT FOR THE PEOPLE, BY THE
12 PEOPLE. VAL VERDE ARE PEOPLE. THE RESIDENTS ARE PEOPLE.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME JUST STATE FOR THE
15 RECORD THAT THE PROJECT HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED. THE PROJECT IS
16 TO GO BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION IN 2015, THIS YEAR, WHERE
17 THERE IS PUBLIC COMMENT AND PUBLIC TESTIMONY. WE HAVE ALSO
18 CONTACTED THE AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO WORK WITH THE
19 COUNTY ON THE E.I.R. AND COUNTY STAFF AND MY STAFF WILL BE
20 RESPONDING TO THOSE MEETINGS THAT WE HAVE. SO THE PUBLIC
21 HEARINGS ARE STILL GOING TO BE FORTHCOMING.

22

23 **STEVEN LEE:** THANK YOU, MICHAEL.

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAVID
2 ARMSTRONG AND PATRICK MONTANEZ. YES, MA'AM.

3

4 **ERICA LARSEN:** I'D LIKE TO SUBMIT THESE IF I CAN. THANK YOU FOR
5 HEARING ME, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ERICA LARSEN. I'M A MEMBER
6 OF THE CITIZENS FROM THE CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL COMPLAINTS.
7 WE'RE JUST A GROUP OF RESIDENTS FORMED TO HELP MEDIATE THIS
8 PROCESS OF THE EXPANSION. YOU CAN FIND OUR WEBSITE AT
9 WWW.C4CCLC.COM. AS MY NEIGHBORS HAVE ALREADY PORTRAYED THE
10 NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF THE LANDFILL AT ITS CURRENT SITE, IT IS
11 CLEAR THAT THIS EXPANSION WILL LIKELY DAMAGE THE ENVIRONMENT
12 AND THE LIVELIHOOD OF COUNTY RESIDENTS FOR NOT JUST THE
13 PROPOSED EXPANSION DEADLINE BUT ALSO FOR YEARS AFTER IT IS
14 CLOSED. IT IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY WE'RE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO
15 PRESENT OUR ISSUES IN FRONT OF THE COMMISSIONERS WHILE IN THE
16 DRAFT PERIOD. IF WE DO SO AFTER THE FINAL REPORT IS RELEASED,
17 WE HAVE 10 DAYS TO SUBMIT ANY COMMENTS, AND THAT IS NOT ENOUGH
18 TIME FOR US TO VIABLY COMMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY AT HAND. TODAY
19 I'D LIKE TO BRING YOUR ATTENTION TO THE CONTRACT THAT CHIQUITA
20 CANYON LANDFILL MADE WITH THE RESIDENTS OF VAL VERDE IN 1997
21 THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE EMAIL THAT WE SENT TO YOU YESTERDAY TO
22 REVIEW. I JUST WANT TO REITERATE THE EXCERPT FROM THE CURRENT
23 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FROM THE COUNTY THAT "THE PERMITEE, THE
24 LANDFILL, SHALL COMPLY WITH THE STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT AND
25 UNDERSTANDINGS THAT IT ENTERED INTO WITH CERTAIN COMMUNITY

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1 REPRESENTATIVES ON FEBRUARY 21 AND 24TH OF 1997." THAT
2 AGREEMENT IS PART OF THE C.U.P. THAT AGREEMENT ALSO CLAIMS
3 THAT THE EXPANSION WILL CLOSE -- I'M SORRY "THE LANDFILL WILL
4 CLOSE ON NOVEMBER 24 OF 2019 OR ONCE ITS MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF
5 23 MILLION TONS HAS BEEN REACHED." IT ALSO ACKNOWLEDGES THAT
6 YOU "HAVE A ROLE IN UPHOLDING THE PERMITEE'S COMPLIANCE OF
7 THAT AGREEMENT." SO I ASK: HOW CAN WE BELIEVE WE ARE PROTECTED
8 WHEN COMMUNITY MEMBERS ARE DISMISSED WHILE EVEN OUR LEGAL
9 AGREEMENTS ARE IGNORED? IT IS CLEAR THAT WASTE CONNECTIONS THE
10 LANDFILL OPERATORS DO NOT CARE ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS BEYOND THEIR
11 BORDERS UNLESS THEY ABSOLUTELY HAVE TO. I IMPORE YOU TO NOT
12 JUST HEAR US TODAY BUT ALSO TO PROTECT US. PLEASE PROTECT US
13 FROM THIS EXPLOITATION OF OUR ENVIRONMENT AND AN INJUSTICE
14 UPON OUR RIGHTS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **ERICA LARSEN:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP BLANE
21 ALEXANDER, LYNN PLAMBECK. YES, SIR.

22

23 **JEREMIAH DOCKRAY:** YES, HI, MY NAME IS JEREMIAH DOCKRAY. I'M A
24 RESIDENT OF VAL VERDE, AS WELL. I WANTED TO JUST RELAY TO YOU
25 BRIEFLY SOME OF THE TESTIMONIALS THAT WERE GIVEN ON JULY 31ST

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1 OF THIS PAST YEAR IN A HEARING ABOUT THE LANDFILL EXPANSION.
2 WE HAD ONE MAN THAT AWOKE AND IN MANY OPPORTUNITIES IN HIS
3 HOME AND FELT AS THOUGH HE WERE BEING CHOKED WHEN IT WAS THE
4 LANDFILL GASES THAT WERE MAKING HIM FEEL SUCH. WE HAD LOTS OF
5 SHARED SYMPTOMS, EYE, NOSE AND THROAT IRRITATION, LETHARGY,
6 HEADACHES, NAUSEA, WHICH ARE COMMON SYMPTOMS OF METHANE,
7 HYDROGEN SULFIDE AND VINYL CHLORIDE. THERE IS A GENTLEMAN THAT
8 LIVES NEARBY THE LANDFILL THAT HAS REARRANGED HIS ENTIRE
9 FAMILY'S SLEEP SCHEDULE. THEY GO TO BED AT MIDNIGHT AND RISE
10 AT NOON. HIS CHILDREN ARE UNDER THE AGE OF 10. AND THIS IS
11 QUITE THE INJUSTICE. AND LET ME REITERATE, THIS IS AT THE
12 CURRENT SIZE OF THE LANDFILL, NOT IN THE DOUBLE THE SIZE THAT
13 IT IS APPLYING FOR. ON DECEMBER 20TH, WE HAD A GREEN WASTE
14 VIOLATION GIVEN TO THE LANDFILL FOR THE AWFUL SMELL THAT THE
15 COMMUNITY FELT THAT DAY, A.Q.M.B. CAME OUT AND CONFIRMED THIS.
16 AND THE LANDFILL WROTE AN APOLOGY SAYING THIS WAS A ONE-TIME
17 EVENT. WE WERE UNABLE TO GIVE THEM A VIOLATION ON DECEMBER
18 24TH, CHRISTMAS EVE, WHEN MOST OF A.Q.M.B. STAFF WAS GONE ON
19 HOLIDAY AND WE HAD A SIMILAR PROBLEM ON THE SAME DAY. SO THAT
20 WAS NOT A FUN HOLIDAY FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE IN THE AREA. THE
21 CURRENT MAXIMUM THAT THEY HAVE IS 6,000 TONS PER DAY. THEY ARE
22 APPLYING FOR DOUBLE THAT. AND THEY ARE EXPANDING TOWARDS THE
23 BUSINESS PARK AND OTHER CHURCHES, SCHOOLS AND FUTURE CHURCHES
24 AND SCHOOLS IN THE NEWHALL EXPANSION, AS WELL. 40 YEARS OF

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1 THIS IS ENOUGH. WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT OUR HEALTH BEFORE THEIR
2 WEALTH.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **JEREMIAH DOCKRAY:** AND THE HEARING FOR THE FINAL E.I.R. WOULD
7 BE GREAT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LORI MARTIN? RICARDO SILVA? YES, SIR.
10 YES, SIR.

11

12 **DAVID ARMSTRONG:** YES, SIR. YES, MY NAME IS DAVID ARMSTRONG.
13 I'M A RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA. I'M 72 YEARS OLD,
14 I'M A VIETNAM VETERAN. I WORKED LONG BEACH VETERAN HOSPITAL
15 AND THEN I'M A GRANDFATHER. I STAND BEFORE YOU NOT TO DISGRACE
16 THE SAN BERNADINO COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT OR PUT THEM DOWN
17 OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT, BUT TO MAKE YOU AWARE OF AN INDIVIDUAL
18 WHO HAS BEEN SENDING IDIOTS OUT TO STALK AND HARASS ME SINCE
19 2008. THE STALKING FIRST STARTED IN THE FORM OF FOLLOWING ME.
20 THEN FROM THERE TO THE FORM OF SENDING WOMEN OUT TO ENTRAP ME.
21 AND NOW WHERE WHEREVER I GO, HE SEND SOMEONE OUT TO THROW
22 RABBIT PUNCHES TO THE BASE OF MY HEAD WHEN MY BACK IS TURNED.
23 THE PURPOSE OF THIS IS TO GET ME TO DEFEND MYSELF AND GET ME
24 SENT TO JAIL AND KILL ME. I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON, YOU
25 KNOW. HE KNOW EXACTLY WHERE I AM BY TAPPING MY CELL PHONE. ANY

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1 TIME I USE THE CELL PHONE, HE KNOWS WHERE I AM. WHEN I USE A
2 PAY PHONE, SEND A PATROL UNIT TO VERIFY THE LOCATION WHERE I
3 AM. THEN HE JAMS THE LINES TO LISTEN TO MY CONVERSATIONS. I
4 HAVE SENT REGISTERED LETTERS TO THE U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL'S
5 OFFICE AND THE VIETNAM, I MEAN THE VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICE. NO
6 RESPONSE. I'VE BEEN TO TOWN HALL MEETINGS IN RANCHO CUCAMONGA
7 AND SAN BERNADINO TO FILE MY GRIEVANCES. I FILED VERBAL
8 GRIEVANCES WITH THE SHERIFF INTERNAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT FIVE
9 TIMES.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARE YOU LIVING IN SAN BERNADINO COUNTY
12 OR LONG BEACH?

13

14 **DAVID ARMSTRONG:** I LIVE IN LONG BEACH, SIR.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IF YOU GO OVER TO THE SIDE HERE, A
17 REPRESENTATIVE FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE'S OFFICE WILL TALK TO
18 YOU.

19

20 **DAVID ARMSTRONG:** I APPRECIATE IT, SIR. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. YES, SIR.

23

24 **SPEAKER:** HI. I'D LIKE TO WELCOME THE NEW SUPERVISORS, HILDA
25 SOLIS AND SHEILA KUEHL. I'VE MET HILDA SOLIS A COUPLE OF TIMES

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1 AT THE DIA DE LOS MUERTOS THE CHRISTMAS GIVE-AWAY THAT THEY
2 GIVE IN EAST LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THE REASON I'M
3 HERE IS BECAUSE I ALREADY SPOKE TO HER STAFF THAT I WANTED TO
4 DO A DIA DANCE FESTIVAL [INAUDIBLE] AND OTHER DANCERS TO HAVE
5 A BIG FESTIVAL IN EAST LOS ANGELES. AND THE OUTCOME WOULD BE
6 BRINGING IN NEW REVENUE TO THE COMMUNITY. AND THE SUPPORT
7 WOULD BE THE RADIO STATION AND NEWS MEDIA. OUR NEXT PROJECT
8 WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO DO IS AT GARFELD HIGH SCHOOL WITH THE
9 GARFIELD ALUMNI ASSOCIATION TO GIVE SCHOLARSHIPS. WE WANT OR
10 ARE PLANNING TO DO A SHOW HOPEFULLY SOON. I'M PROPOSING, WELL,
11 I WOULD LIKE TO -- THERE'S A THEATER IN EAST LOS ANGELES THAT
12 WENT UP FOR SALE. IT'S ON WHITTIER BOULEVARD AND WOODS. AND I
13 WAS WONDERING HOW CAN I GET THAT HALL, I MEAN THE THEATER, TO
14 OPEN IT AS A PERFORMING ARTS STUDIO OR PERFORMING ARTS DANCE.
15 IT WOULD BENEFIT SENIOR CITIZENS, TEENAGERS, CHILDREN AND THE
16 COMMUNITY. IT WOULD BRING JOBS IF WE OPEN IT AS A BANQUET HALL
17 ON THE WEEKENDS. I BELONG TO SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS. WE DO A
18 LOT OF FUNDRAISING. THE EAST LOS ANGELES LIONS CLUB, I BELONG
19 TO THEM. I VOLUNTEER FOR MY ALUMNI SCHOOL, WHICH IS GARFIELD
20 HIGH SCHOOL. I TEACH FOLKLORICO AT THE PARKS AND RECS FOR --

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHEN DID YOU GRADUATE?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** 1985.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I STUDENT TAUGHT AT GARFIELD MANY
2 YEARS AGO. YOU'RE A BULLDOG, RIGHT? I'M SURE SUPERVISOR
3 SOLIS'S OFFICE.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS:** YEAH, OUR OFFICE WILL BE HAPPY TO SPEAK TO YOU
6 BEFOREHAND. WE'D BE INTERESTED IN TALKING TO YOU ABOUT THE
7 DANCE ACTIVITIES, FESTIVITIES. WE'LL CONTINUE TO WORK WITH
8 YOU.

9

10 **SPEAKER:** I HAVE BUSINESS CARDS IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE OUR
11 GROUP. I ALSO HAVE PICTURES.

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** IF YOU COULD TALK TO MY STAFF?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. GOOD TO SEE YOU. LET ME
18 ALSO CALL UP JACQUES CARR? JACQUES CAR? YES, SIR.

19

20 **SPEAKER:** YEAH, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY FIRST I THANK GOD IN THE
21 NAME OF JESUS AND I THANK THE BROTHER ON THE SUPERVISOR WHO
22 OPENED UP WITH PRAYER SAYING, OH GOD. I THANK BROTHER MIKE
23 ANTONOVICH WHO I KNOW SINCE I'VE BEEN OUT CALIFORNIA, LIVE
24 HERE BUT HE DID GIVE ME A CALL WHEN I WAS IN DALLAS, TEXAS AND
25 I CALL HIM A BROTHER IN CHRIST, SEE HIM ON T.B.N. SO MY

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1 COMMENT WAS WHERE I SIGN UP JUST TO PRAISE THE BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS AND I DIDN'T WANT TO READ ONE SCRIPTURE THAT
3 EXISTS NO MATTER WHAT THE PROBLEM IS EVERYBODY IN HERE GOT A
4 REASON TO PRAISE THE LORD IF YOU ARE AMONG THE LIVING BECAUSE
5 I JUST DON'T KNOW THE LIVING, YOU KNOW FUNERAL HOMES HERE,
6 TOO. SO I'D LIKE TO SAY LET EVERYTHING THAT HATH BREATH PRAISE
7 THE LORD. I GUESS I QUOTE IT FOR BROTHER MICHAEL ANTONOVICH
8 BECAUSE I SEE HIM ON T.B.N. AMEN.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HAPPY NEW YEAR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
11 SHELIAH WARD.

12

13 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** LYNN PLAMBECK AND I'M ALSO HERE TO SPEAK ON THE
14 CHIQUITA CANYON LANDFILL EXPANSION PROCESS. THE PROBLEM IS,
15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THAT THE REGIONAL PLANNING HAS
16 INSTITUTED A NEW PROCESS WHERE A HEARING EXAMINER GOES OUT TO
17 THE COMMUNITY, AND I THINK THE COMMUNITY APPRECIATES HAVING
18 THE COUNTY COME TO THEM. HOWEVER, THERE ARE NO PLANNING
19 COMMISSIONERS IN ATTENDANCE. SO THERE IS NO HEARING BEFORE THE
20 DECISION MAKERS ON THE ISSUES. SO THE COMMUNITY BRINGS TO
21 BASICALLY A HEARING EXAMINER THAT'S NOT GOING TO MAKE A
22 DECISION, A TAPE RECORDING IS MADE OF THESE HORRENDOUS
23 VIOLATIONS AND HEALTH PROBLEMS AND THESE OTHER ISSUES THAT ARE
24 HAPPENING. AND THEN THE INTENTION IS THAT THERE WILL BE NO
25 HEARING DURING THE DRAFT PERIOD OF THE E.I.R. AT THE REGIONAL

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1 PLANNING COMMISSION. SO OUR COMMISSIONERS DON'T HAVE AN
2 OPPORTUNITY EARLY ON TO LOOK AT THE PROBLEMS AND HEAR FROM THE
3 COMMUNITY ON THIS HUGE PROJECT. HOW CAN THEY FIX ANYTHING BY
4 THE TIME IT'S GONE TO THE FINAL? AND, YES, THEY HAVE INFORMED
5 US THAT THERE WILL BE A HEARING ON THE FINAL. BUT THAT'S TOO
6 LATE. THE COMMISSIONERS REALLY DON'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
7 CHANGE ANYTHING. WE DON'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE
8 SUGGESTIONS TO SAY THIS IS A REALLY GOOD IDEA. LEGALLY WE
9 DON'T EVEN HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO WHAT THEY WOULD
10 SAY. FINAL E.I.R. GIVES THE COMMUNITY ONLY 10 DAYS. WHAT ARE
11 YOUR PLANNING COMMISSIONERS THERE FOR? TO HEAR ALCOHOL
12 PERMITS? THAT'S WHAT THEY'RE HEARING. THEY HAVE A PLANNING
13 COMMISSION HEARING EVERY WEDNESDAY. WHY WOULD THEY NOT HAVE A
14 DRAFT HEARING ON THIS HUGE PROJECT THAT'S REALLY AFFECTING
15 THIS COMMUNITY AND THE ENTIRE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY? YOU'RE
16 PROBABLY COMPLETELY AWARE THAT SANTA CLARITA VALLEY HAS SOME
17 OF THE WORST AIR POLLUTION. IT DOESN'T MEET THE OZONE
18 STANDARDS. AND YET WE'RE GOING TO PUT THIS HUGE LANDFILL
19 THERE. YOU'VE JUST THIS ON YOUR AGENDA TODAY LOOKED AT WASTE
20 CONVERSION, WHICH I WAS PRETTY EXCITED TO SEE THERE. BUT YOU
21 REALLY NEED TO HAVE A HEARING AT THE DRAFT E.I.R. STAGE. IT'S
22 NOT FAIR TO THE COMMISSIONERS. IT'S NOT RESPECTFUL TO THEM.
23 AND THEIR DECISION-MAKING PROCESS IS NOT RESPECTFUL TO THE
24 COMMUNITY. SO WE WERE ALL HERE TODAY TO BEG YOU TO DO THAT,

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1 AND PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES.

2 AND I HOPE I DIE WITH MY BOOTS ON, TOO.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU WILL. YOU'RE A FIGHTER. YOU'VE
5 BEEN OUT THERE FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, RIGHT, LYNN, WITH YOUR
6 BOOTS ON. HAPPY NEW YEAR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MORRIS GRIFFIN.
7 YES, SIR. OR YES, LORI. SORRY.

8

9 **LORI MARTIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I AM HERE
10 TO CONTINUE WITH S.-1 AND THE IMPLEMENTED REFORM. ONE OF THE
11 BIGGEST THINGS THAT COULD CORRECT D.C.F.S. AT THIS TIME IS THE
12 REMOVAL OF PHILIP BROWNING: KAREN BASS, HOLLY MITCHELL, DAVID
13 SANDERS, JUDGE NASH, CHERYL GRILL, CATHERINE EISENHOWER AND
14 AVELIA TORRES ALL FEEL THE SAME WAY. TO HAVE THIS GENTLEMAN AS
15 THE DIRECTOR OF D.C.F.S. SHOULD HAVE BEEN SEEN AS A HUGE
16 CONFLICT IN L.A. COUNTY. HE WAS THE PREVIOUS D.P.S.S.
17 DIRECTOR. THEN HE WAS A DIRECTOR FOR CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES.
18 AND THOSE TWO SYSTEMS CAN GENERATE TWO THINGS: A LIST OF
19 QUALIFYING CHILDREN FOR ADOPTION BECAUSE CHILDREN MUST QUALIFY
20 FOR WELFARE TO ALSO QUALIFY FOR ADOPTION. AND THEN HE HAS A
21 LIST OF DISGRUNTLED PARTIES WHO HAVE BEEN GARNISHED UPON FOR
22 FALSE REPORTS. THEN HE GOES IN FOR THE FINAL KILL BY SEIZING
23 THE CHILD AND ADOPTING THEM OUT FOR FURTHER INCENTIVES. PHILIP
24 BROWNING WAS A VERY BAD CHOICE FOR A DIRECTOR. WE HAVE NOT
25 SEEN ANY IMPROVE. IN D.C.F.S. SINCE HE HAS BEEN A DIRECTOR. I

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1 HAVE PERSONAL ISSUES WITH HIM. I TURNED IN THE FACT THAT MY
2 CHILD SUPPORT WAS NOT GOING TO MY ALLOTTED CALWORKS CASE.
3 STILL TODAY ZERO REFLECTS IT REPAID EVEN THOUGH CHILD SUPPORT
4 SERVICES SHOWS THAT MY CASE WAS PAID IN FULL. ON MY CHILD'S
5 BIRTHDAY, PHILIP BROWNING SENT ME A CONDESCENDING WORKER TO
6 CONTINUE WORKING WITH SOCIAL WORKERS KNOWING IT WAY WAS MY
7 CHILD'S BIRTHDAY. THIS MAN IS BAD FOR BUSINESS, FOR D.C.F.S.
8 AND FOR CHILDREN IN L.A. COUNTY. THEY NEED TO HAVE SOMEBODY
9 WHO'S A LITTLE MORE COMPASSIONATE AND COMPLIANT TO THE ISSUES
10 THAT ARE HERE RIGHT NOW AND NEED TO BE RESOLVED. THAT IS THE
11 STATE LICENSING ISSUES, THE PERJURED REPORTS, THE TRANSPARENCY
12 AND THE ACCOUNTABILITY THAT ARE LACKING IN D.C.F.S. THAT IS
13 WHAT NEEDS TO CHANGE. THANK YOU. HAVE A GREAT AFTERNOON.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, LORI. MORRIS? YES, SIR.
16 WHICH ONE IS NEXT?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, AGAIN, COMMISSIONERS, BOARD MEMBERS,
19 EXCUSE ME. I ADDRESS YOUR BOARD FOR THE SECOND TIME TO BRING
20 UP THE ISSUE AND MAKE A FEW SUGGESTIONS ON HOW VOTER
21 PARTICIPATION IN EACH DISTRICT SHOULD BE INCREASED AND L.A.
22 COUNTY AND IN THE CITY, AS WELL. LAST TIME I CHECKED THE
23 NUMBERS, WHICH WAS APPROXIMATELY THREE MONTHS AGO, THE LATINO
24 COMMUNITY WAS PRACTICALLY A 17 PERCENT TURNOUT IN AN AFRO-
25 AMERICAN COMMUNITY THERE'S A 14 PERCENT TURNOUT AS FAR AS

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1 VOTER PARTICIPATION GOES. AND I THINK, YOU KNOW, WE ALL KNOW
2 THAT VOTER PARTICIPATION IS SOMETHING THAT DETERMINES WHETHER
3 OR NOT YOUR CONSTITUENTS ARE SATISFIED AND APPROVED WITH YOUR
4 SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY. SO YOU SHOULD SHOW A GREAT DEAL OF
5 INTEREST IN. I'M JUST HERE TO MAKE A FEW SUGGESTIONS ON YOU
6 CAN INCREASE VOTER PARTICIPATION IN YOUR COMMUNITIES. ONE OF
7 THE FIRST THINGS YOU CAN DO IS SHARE COMMUNITY OFFICES WITH
8 YOUR CO-INCUMBENTS AND YOUR CO-STATESMEN OR YOUR CO-ELECTED
9 OFFICIALS IN ORDER TO HAVE A BETTER RAPPORT WITH THE COMMUNITY
10 THAT YOU REPRESENT. THIS WILL HELP TREMENDOUSLY AS WELL AS
11 ASSIGNING TO EACH PRECINCT AND DISTRICT IN YOUR COMMUNITY A
12 PRECINCT CAPTAIN AND A DISTRICT COMMANDER OR A DISTRICT
13 PRECINCT PERSON TO ENSURE THAT VOTER TURNOUT IS ENFORCED
14 DURING ELECTION TIMES. ALSO, YOU CAN START YOUNG DEMOCRATIC
15 ORGANIZATIONS. I KNOW THIS IS A NONPARTISAN BOARD. BUT YOU CAN
16 START YOUNG VOTER PARTICIPATION GROUPS WITHIN YOUR COUNCILS
17 AND YOUR DISTRICTS IN ORDER TO ENSURE MORE VOTER
18 PARTICIPATION. THESE ARE THINGS THAT AS I SAY EARLIER
19 DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT YOU, AS BOARD MEMBERS, WILL BE RE-
20 ELECTED. AND I'M QUITE SURE YOU'LL SHOW A GREAT AMOUNT OF
21 INTEREST IN THIS SOMETIME IN THE FUTURE. IMMEDIATE FUTURE, AS
22 A MATTER OF FACT.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR. YES, SIR? YES.

25

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1 **RICARDO SILVA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RICARDO SILVA. I'M
2 [INAUDIBLE] MR. ANTONOVICH. I'M FROM PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. I
3 TRIED TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE HERE ABOUT THE TRAFFIC SCHOOL LIST
4 PRINTED BY C.D.C. I'M A TRAFFIC SCHOOL INSTRUCTOR, FORMER
5 TRAFFIC SCHOOL OPERATOR AND TRAFFIC SCHOOL OWNER. LAST YEAR
6 THEY CHANGED THE PRINTING OF THE LIST DIFFERENTLY FROM THE WAY
7 THEY USED TO DO IT BEFORE. NOW THEY DON'T DIVIDE THE LIST BY
8 CITIES, AND THEY DO NOT INCLUDE ANYMORE THE ALTERNATE
9 LANGUAGE. THE SPANISH LANGUAGE SECTION HAS BEEN DELETED
10 COMPLETELY. THE SPANISH PEOPLE THEY DO NOT KNOW WHERE TO GO TO
11 FIND A SCHOOL. THEY HAVE FOR THE PUBLIC THE ALTERNATIVE OF THE
12 INTERNET AND THE HOME STUDY, HOWEVER, WHEN THE HISPANIC
13 PEOPLE, OR ARMENIAN OR RUSSIAN OR CHINESE, THEY LOOK FOR A
14 CLASSROOM WHERE THEY COULD GO AND ATTEND THE CLASS, THEY
15 CANNOT FIND IT. AND AS FAR AS WE'RE CONCERNED, WE BELIEVE THAT
16 THEY ARE NOT FOLLOWING SECTION 11205 OF THE LEGAL CODE. THEY
17 CITE SECTION 11205 BUT WHAT THEY DO IS COMPLETELY OPPOSITE.
18 AND I AM HERE TO SEE IF YOU CAN DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT, HAVE
19 THE SITUATION FIXED NOT ONLY FOR THE TRAFFIC SCHOOLS BUT FOR
20 THE PUBLIC, AS WELL. AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS LADY OVER HERE, SHE'LL TALK TO
23 YOU ON THIS SUGGESTION.

24

25 **RICARDO SILVA:** OKAY.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LORI? LET ME ALSO, XANTEN SIGMUND AND
3 PATRICK O'ROURKE. YES, SIR.

4

5 **MORRIS GRIFFIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I'M
6 MORRIS GRIFFIN, BETTER KNOWN AS BIG MONEY GRIF, BIG COMMUNITY
7 ACTIVIST LEADER. I ALSO WORK AT THE HALL OF RECORDS AT NIGHT.
8 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU MISS SHEILA KUEHL AND HILDA SOLIS. I'M
9 HERE TODAY TO SAY HANDS UP, PANTS UP, BLACK LIVES MATTER,
10 BROWN LIVES MATTER, I CAN'T BREATHE. I'M HOPING THAT YOU WILL
11 ENCOURAGE OUR NEW CHIEF OF POLICE MCDONALD TO SEE IF HE CAN
12 COALESCE WITH THE COMMUNITY IN HOLDING -- IN PUTTING THEIR
13 PANTS UP SO THAT WE DON'T HAVE ANYMORE MISTAKES WHEN OFFICERS
14 SAY HANDS UP AND THE PANTS FALL DOWN AND THEY SHOOT THEM
15 BECAUSE THEY SAY THAT THEY WERE GRABBING THEIR WAIST. SO I
16 WOULD HOPE THAT YOU COALESCE. BECAUSE WE WANT TO MAKE SURE
17 THAT WE DON'T HAVE THIS PROBLEM NATIONALLY SPEAKING LET ALONE
18 IN OUR STATE WITH THAT KIND OF EXCUSE. I'M ALSO HERE TODAY TO
19 ASK WHETHER OR NOT YOU WILL CONSIDER A PAID CIVILIAN REVIEW
20 BOARD. AS YOU KNOW, APPOINTING A CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD IS NOT
21 GOOD ENOUGH. IT'S NOT GOING TO HAVE ANY POWER. WE WANT YOU TO
22 EMPOWER A PAID CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD. AND I WOULD BE REMISS TO
23 SAY THAT SO GOES CALIFORNIA OR SO GOES LOS ANGELES, SO CAN GO
24 THE NATION WHEN WE TALK ABOUT A PAID CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD.
25 SHELIAH WARD SAID IT BEST, "AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION IS WORTH A

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1 POUND OF CURE." I HAVE TO SAY TO YOU ALL THAT JOHN F. KENNEDY
2 SAID IT BEST, "ASK NOT WHAT YOUR COUNTRY CAN DO FOR YOU, BUT
3 ASK WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR YOUR COUNTRY." SO I'M HERE TO SAY TO
4 YOU ALL THAT IF WE CONSIDER ASKING ON A STATEWIDE BALLOT
5 MEASURE ANOTHER DOLLAR OR TWO, ADD ANOTHER DOLLAR OR TWO TO
6 POWERBALL SUPER LOTTO, MEGALOTTO AND THE STATEWIDE BALLOT
7 MEASURE TO RECREATE MANUFACTURING CLEAN ENERGY JOBS BUT ALSO
8 TO BE USED AS A SUPPLEMENTAL INCOME TO EXISTING JOBS WHERE
9 PEOPLE DO NOT MAKE \$15 AN HOUR WILL HELP OUR BUDGET. AND
10 THERE'S SO MUCH MORE. BUT THAT'S ALL OF MY TIME. THANKS FOR
11 YOURS. THIS IS BIG MONEY GRIF OVER AND OUT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DAVID SERRANO? YES.

14

15 **SHELIAH WARD:** GREETINGS IN THE SPIRIT OF THE MOST HIGH. SHELIA
16 WARD. LAST YEAR FOR KWANZAA IMAGINE IF YOU WILL SOMEBODY CAME
17 TO YOUR JEWISH CELEBRATION OR YOUR HANUKKAH OR YOUR PERSONAL
18 CELEBRATION AND INTRUDED BECAUSE THEY ARE OF YOUR RACE. SOME
19 BLACK PEOPLE CAME INTO THE PARK LAST YEAR FOR KWANZAA, BURNT
20 ME ON MY HANDS, KICKED ME, PULLED OUT MY BEADS OUT OF MY HAIR,
21 PULLED ALL MY BEADS OUT. THAT HURTS. MY HAIRS ARE LOCKED UP.
22 AND I PUT THESE BEADS ON HERE PERMANENT. THEY BRUISED ME ALL
23 OVER MY BODY IN THE NAME OF JESUS. THE NEXT GROUP CAME LAST
24 SUNDAY TO DO THE SAME THING. I DIDN'T PUT THAT -- I TOLD YOU
25 GUYS DECADES AGO WHEN I MET YOU, DON KNABE, AND MICHAEL

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1 ANTONOVICH THAT THE PEOPLE WANTED TO BURN THE WORLD DOWN. I
2 TOOK THAT NEGATIVE ENERGY AND TOOK IT TO THE PARK AND TOLD
3 THEM THAT YOU PEOPLE AREN'T THAT EVIL, THAT YOU CAN COME INTO
4 THE PARK AND HAVE A WAY OUT. YOU CAN TAKE THE LITTLE E.B.T.
5 MONEY AND THE LITTLE FOOD STAMPS AND BUY SOMETHING TO TRADE
6 WITH PEOPLE AND PAY YOUR RENT AND DON'T BURN ANYBODY OUT.
7 THESE PEOPLE IN THE NAME OF JESUS CAME FROM THIRD WORLD
8 COUNTRIES TO FIGHT ME AND THAT THEY DID. BUT I'M GOING TO TELL
9 YOU THIS. I'M A 64-YEAR-OLD GRANDMOTHER. SINCE WHEN THE LAW
10 CHANGED THAT I CAN GO INTO THE PARK AND TAKE A SENIOR CITIZEN
11 AND TAKE A 64-YEAR-OLD GRANDMOTHER BECAUSE ALL I HAD WAS SAGE
12 ON MY HANDS ON THE OUTSKIRTS OF THE PERIMETER THEN GOD SENT
13 TWO BROTHERS, YOUNG BROTHERS AND THANK GOD THEY'RE THE ONLY
14 ONES THAT SAW IT BECAUSE THEY CAME IN AND THEY HAD MY BACK AND
15 THEY HAD MY SIDE. THEY TOOK THE SAGE AND THEY PUT IT IN THE
16 PEOPLE'S FACES. WHEN I CALLED L.A.P.D., THEY CAME ON TO ARREST
17 ME AND THE TWO GUYS THAT'S WORKING WITH ME, NOT THE PEOPLE
18 THAT BEAT ME UP, NOT THE BLACK AMERICAN MAN THAT SLUNG ME DOWN
19 ON THE GROUND LIKE A SACK OF POTATOES, NOT NONE OF THEM. AND I
20 HAD TO BE QUIET AND NOT SAY NOTHING TO KEEP A REBELLION AND A
21 RIOT TO GO DOWN ON THAT DATE. NONE OF YOU WOULD BE HERE TODAY
22 BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO BURN YOUR HOUSES DOWN, NOT EVEN A
23 MATCH. YOU GO UP AND TAKE ALL THE MATCHES AND LIGHTER FLUID,
24 YOU WILL NEVER. THEY COME OUT OF THE PARK.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IRENE PANG? IRENE PANG?

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3 **XANTEN SIGMUND:** MY NAME IS XANTEN. I'M HERE TO SPEAK FOR THE
4 CHILDREN THAT ARE IN D.C.F.S. AND ARE BEING VICTIMIZED. AND
5 I'VE BEEN THROUGH IT. THEY GAVE MY BROTHER WINE. THEY TOLD MY
6 MOTHER ABOUT IT. AND THEY ABUSED ME. THEY LOCKED MY BROTHER UP
7 IN THE ROOM THAT WE HAD. AND I DIDN'T FEEL HAPPY AT ALL. I HAD
8 THESE TICKS AND MY BROTHER WAS SEXUAL. AND THIS SOCIAL WORKER
9 WOULD KEEP ON COMING TO MY HOUSE AND HE WOULD MAKE ME COME
10 DOWNSTAIRS AND HE WOULD YELL AT ME TRYING TO MAKE ME SAY
11 SOMETHING BAD ABOUT MY FAMILY. AND HE MADE ME CRY. [CRYING] IT
12 JUST MADE ME SAD.

13

14 **TERESIJA SIGNUMD:** THAT'S TRUTH OF WHAT HAPPENS TO THESE
15 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE. AS THEY SAY HE'S GOING TO SAY HE'S A
16 LIAR AND HE'S GOING TO TELL THE JUDGE HE'S A LIAR HE WILL BE
17 TAKEN AWAY FROM ME AGAIN AND THREATENING US. AND THAT WAS WHEN
18 THE CASE WAS OPEN. THE CASE IS CLOSED NOW. BUT I CAME TO YOU
19 GUYS EVERY WEEK. I TOLD YOU THE THINGS THAT WERE HAPPENING.
20 YOU GUYS IGNORED ME. YOU DISMISSED ME TO [INAUDIBLE]. IT'S
21 LIKE HAVING A JEWISH PERSON COME OUT OF THE [INAUDIBLE] AND
22 SAY MY FAMILY'S IN THE CAMP AND YOU SAY "YEAH, GO TO THAT
23 GUARD. HE'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU. YOU'LL BE FINE." NOBODY HELPED
24 US. NOBODY'S HELPING HIM. HE IS THE TRUTH. AND YOU BETTER NOT
25 STOP LOOKING AT SOME OTHER THING NOW BUT LOOK AT THIS CHILD

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1 WHO'S HERE TO LOOK AT. NONE OF YOU EVEN LOOKED AT HIM EXCEPT
2 FOR THIS WOMAN. SHEILA KEUHL AND THIS WOMAN SOLIS. NONE OF YOU
3 EVEN LOOK AT THIS CHILD. I CAME HERE EVERY WEEK ASKING YOU AND
4 TELLING YOU THERE'S BAD THINGS HAPPENING TO THESE CHILDREN. I
5 ENUMERATED IT. IT HAPPENED TO HIM. YOU IGNORED US. YOU DID
6 NOTHING FOR HIM. YOU DID NOTHING FOR MY LITTLE CHILD. YOU DID
7 NOTHING FOR ANYBODY. AND WHERE WERE YOU? AND WHAT IS HAVING
8 MEETINGS FOR? THIS IS THE TRUTH. NOBODY WANTS TO TALK TO HIM.
9 WHEN THE CASE WAS OPEN WE WERE TOLD BY THE D.C.F.S. THROUGH MY
10 ATTORNEY "IF YOU COME WITH THIS CHILD TO THE BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS, THEY WILL TAKE HIM AWAY AGAIN." CHILDREN HAVE A
12 RIGHT TO THEIR VOICE. YOU CAN'T COVER UP FOREVER WHAT'S REALLY
13 GOING ON WITH THESE CHILDREN. YOU CAN'T. YOU BETTER FACE THE
14 TRUTH AND FACE THE MUSIC. THIS IS THE TRUTH. HE'S HOME. AND
15 HE'S HAPPY. THE THINGS THEY SAID HE WAS SPEECH DELAYED WHEN HE
16 WAS A FIVE-YEAR-OLD. NOBODY BOTHERED GETTING TRANSLATOR IN
17 GERMAN. HE WAS NEVER ASKED ANYTHING IN HIS NATIVE TONGUE. HE
18 WAS SPOKEN IN A FOREIGN LANGUAGE WHICH WAS ENGLISH AND THEN I
19 WAS BLAMED THAT THE CHILD WAS SPEECH DELAYED. EVERY SINGLE
20 TWIST, EVERYTHING THAT WAS MADE UP ABOUT IT WAS SO CRUEL AND
21 SO HURTFUL AND A VIOLATION OF OUR RELIGIOUS RIGHTS THAT ARE SO
22 BASIC. HE HAS SUCH GUILT AT HOME AND I TELL YOU NOT TO FEEL
23 GUILTY FOR HAVING DONE THINGS AGAINST OUR RELIGION THAT NONE
24 OF YOU BOTHERED HELPING HIM.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ERIC
2 PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS. MR. O'ROURKE.

3

4 **PATRICK O'ROURKE:** MY NAME IS PATRICK O'ROURKE AND I'M ASHAMED.
5 TWO SUPERVISORS HERE ARE MORE INTENT ON THEIR PAPERWORK --
6 YEAH, DON KNABE, I MENTIONED YOU, AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. YOU
7 CAN DO THAT IN THE BACK ROOM. YOU ARE PAID A SALARY. THAT
8 MEANS YOU WORK OVERTIME. THAT MEANS YOU'RE A PUBLIC SERVANT.
9 THAT MEANS WHEN A CHILD IS SPEAKING TO YOU AND HER MOTHER
10 ABOUT CRUEL AND UNUSUAL PUNISHMENT, ABOUT THREATS THAT ARE
11 CRIMINAL, YES, THREATENING TO TAKE A CHILD AWAY IS A CRIMINAL
12 OFFENSE IF YOU COME TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND SPEAK ON
13 WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THAT FOSTER HOME, IT'S CALLED A TERRORIST
14 THREAT. LOOK IT UP. OKAY. YOU GUYS, YOU HAVE TWO BODIES OF
15 GOVERNMENT WRAPPED UP INTO ONE. YOU HAVE THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH
16 AND THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH. THAT GIVES YOU A LOT OF POWER AND
17 A LOT OF RESPONSIBILITY, MORE RESPONSIBILITY THAN SOME OF YOU
18 ARE WILLING TO WIELD. AND I'M HOPING TWO OF YOU GO AHEAD WITH
19 AND WHIP THIS BOARD INTO SHAPE. THAT YOU WAKE THEM UP AND MAKE
20 THEM LISTEN TO THE FACT THAT CONTINUED CRIMINAL PARTICIPATION
21 IN THREATS, IN COERCION, IN FALSE REPORTS, THAT THE JUSTICE
22 DEPARTMENT IS ALREADY LOOKING INTO AND HAS BEEN LOOKING INTO
23 FOR SOME TIME. YET THIS WILL COST THE COUNTY BILLIONS. WHEN
24 YOU TAKE A CHILD OUT OF A HOUSE FOR LACK OF FOOD INSTEAD OF
25 REFERRING IT TO A GOVERNMENT AGENCY TO GET FOOD, YOU ARE

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1 COSTING TENS OF HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS WHERE JUST A FEW BUCKS
2 WOULD TAKE THE PLACE. YOU'RE PUTTING POUNDS BEFORE OUNCES.
3 YOU'RE SPENDING DOLLARS TO TAKE CARE OF CENTS. AND YOU GOT TO
4 KNOW SENSE WHEN YOU DO THAT. THE CONTEMPT THAT D.C.F.S. HAS
5 FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE REFUSAL TO SUBMIT TO THE
6 COURT ORDER REFORM AND REFERENDUM IS AN EXAMPLE OF THEIR ABUSE
7 AND CONTEMPT FOR THE LAW AND YOU NEED TO ACT.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MISS PANG?

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13 **IRENE PANG:** I AM IRENE. AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL. I CONCERN
14 LAST YEAR -- THE ANNOUNCEMENT WITH THE CERTIFICATE TO N.R.
15 PANG IN THE L.A. COUNTY FOR THE L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISOR
16 BEGINNING ON THE JANUARY 1ST, THE BEGINNING OF THE 2015.
17 ACCORDING THE SUPERVISORS ON THEIR MEETING TODAY IS DIFFERENT.
18 I BELIEVE N.R. PANG WORK HARD WITH THE GOOD CHARACTERISTIC AND
19 FAITHFUL TO U.S. GOVERNMENT. AND RECOGNIZING BY THE PUBLIC. I
20 AND THE PUBLIC THE WAY FOR SUPERVISOR N.R. PANG FOR THE POST
21 SEASON. WHEN THE GOVERNMENT STAFF WILLIE PANG ON DUTY WHERE
22 THEY OPEN PHYSICAL ATTACK BY THE LATER, THE SIBLING IS THE
23 BETTER TO A WAYS THE REVELATION TO PROTECT GOVERNMENT MATTER
24 AND PUBLIC SAFETY. AND I CONCERN THEIR SAFETY TO MY FAMILY
25 MEMBERS WHY THE REVELATION TOOK THEIR PROPERTY, THEIR

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1 PROPERTY, FAMILY HOME AND COMMUNITY BUILDING EVEN THOUGH
2 PERSONAL PROPERTY. THEIR CLOTHING AND FURNITURE AND SO ON.
3 THEY JUST BUY AND SOON TAKE AWAY FROM THE FAMILY. MY FAMILY
4 MEMBER, MY FAMILY MEMBERS WORK HARD AND CIVIL TO PROTECT THEIR
5 NATION AND PUBLIC WITH THEIR CREDIT. MY FAMILY NEED RECOVER
6 THE PHYSICAL PROPERTY LOST. AGAIN I NEED MY SMALL HOUSE AND
7 BELONGINGS 3127 LA RAMIDA AND THE OTHER ONE THAT RELATE TO THE
8 GOVERNMENT PROJECT.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MISS PANG. THANK YOU, MISS
11 PANG. MR. SERRANO.

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13 **DAVID SERRANO:** GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY
14 SPIRIT, THE HOLY TRINITY IS THE ONE AND ONLY GOD. THE HOLY
15 TRINITY IS THE CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN,
16 HALLELUJAH. REALITY IS THE LORD JESUS CHRIST CREATED HEAVEN
17 AND EARTH, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD. THIS YEAR THERE WILL BE A
18 BLOOD MOON ON APRIL 4TH AND THEN THERE WILL BE A BLOOD MOON ON
19 SEPTEMBER 27TH. AT THE VERY LEAST THERE WILL BE A WEAK EL
20 NINO. LIKE IT IS RECORDED IN THE HOLY BIBLE IN THE BOOK OF
21 REVELATION, THE HOLY INFINITE TRINITY PREDICTED THAT THERE
22 WILL BE A EARTHQUAKE ON THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIAN SAN ANDREAS
23 FAULT THAT DEVASTATES LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS A BIG STORM WITH
24 THUNDER AND LIGHTENING DARKENS THE SKY IN THE MONTH OF MAY
25 SPECIFICALLY IN A YEAR THAT THE MOON WILL BE TURNED TO BLOOD

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1 RED. LOS ANGELES IS THE CITY OF ANGELS. ONE OF THE THINGS
2 REVELATION 10:1 TO 10:5 IS ABOUT HOW THE PACIFIC AND NORTH
3 AMERICAN TECTONICS PLATES COME INTO CONTACT IN LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY. THE PACIFIC PLATE IS ALMOST ENTIRELY UNDER THE PACIFIC
5 OCEAN WHILE THE NORTH AMERICAN PLATE INCLUDES THE REST OF
6 NORTH AMERICA. REVELATION 8:1 AND REVELATION 8:5 TALK ABOUT
7 THE MONTH OF MAY IN THAT ALWAYS REMEMBER CHRISTIANS ARE THE
8 ONES WHO INVENTED THE MECHANICAL CLOCK WITH THE MINUTE HAND ON
9 THE HOUR, MINUTE HAND AND THE HOUR HAND. THERE ARE 12 HOURS ON
10 THE FATES OF MOST CLOCKS. THERE ARE 12 MONTHS IN A YEAR.
11 SILENCE IN HEAVEN ABOUT HALF AN HOUR IS THE MINUTE HAND
12 POINTED AT THE 5. READ REVELATION 6:12-6:17. ONE OF THE THINGS
13 IT IS ABOUT IS PROPHESED THAT THE MOON WILL BE TURNED THE
14 COLOR BLOOD RED AND THAT THE GREAT EARTHQUAKE IN LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY WILL CAUSE GREAT HORIZONTAL DISPLACEMENT ON THE SAN
16 ANDREAS FAULT. NOW I KNOW THE HISTORY OF EARTHQUAKES HERE IN
17 LOS ANGELES COUNTY IT'S BEEN OVER 150 YEARS SINCE THE SOUTHERN
18 CALIFORNIA SAN ANDREAS FAULT AND 300 YEARS-

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. REVELATION DOES NOT MENTION
21 LOS ANGELES COUNTY OR THE SAN ANDREAS FAULT. SO IF YOU'RE
22 GOING TO QUOTE THE BIBLE, BE ACCURATE. YES, SIR.

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24 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
25 DISTRICT 3. AND I DON'T HAVE A BIBLE QUOTE FOR TODAY, BUT I

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1 WOULD LIKE TO BRING UP SOMETHING THAT OCCURRED OVER THE
2 HOLIDAY. IN DECEMBER, THERE WAS SOMETHING POSTED THAT CAUGHT
3 MY ATTENTION BECAUSE IT WAS YOUR FOLLOW-UP, I THINK, SIR, AND
4 MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS' ON THE PARKS AND REC NEEDS ASSESSMENT,
5 WHICH I THINK YOU'D ASKED ABOUT IN DECEMBER SO WE COULD GET A
6 CLEAR TAKE ON WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT THERE. BUT I REMEMBERED
7 THAT AT THE BUDGET HEARING, SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND SOLIS, WHO I
8 GUESS YOU WERE NOT HERE FOR THAT, THERE WAS AN ASSESSMENT THAT
9 WAS INTRODUCED BY THE PARKS AND REC GROUP THAT SAID THAT THEY
10 HAD -- AND IT WAS A VERY BIG NUMBER -- \$633 MILLION IN UNMET
11 NEEDS.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE GOING TO ASK THE C.E.O. AND THE
14 PARKS AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON
15 THOSE FUNDS BECAUSE WE'VE NOW BEEN TOLD THAT IT DOES NOT
16 REQUIRE STATE LEGISLATION TO APPROVE THOSE FUNDS,
17 EXPENDITURES, HAVE THEM COME BACK WITH A LIST TO REPORT BACK
18 TO THE BOARD ON THAT. SO ON THAT POINT, WE ARE FOLLOWING UP ON
19 THAT.

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21 **ERIC PREVEN:** I APPRECIATE THAT BUT I WASN'T QUITE FINISHED.
22 BUT IF WE ROLL BACK 30 SECONDS I'LL TRY TO CONCLUDE. I'M SORRY
23 ABOUT THAT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'LL GET YOUR 20 SECONDS OR
2 WHATEVER.

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4 **ERIC PREVEN:** I APPRECIATE THAT. SO THE POINT IS THAT SOMEBODY
5 DID A LITTLE WRITE UP ABOUT HOW WE MIGHT GO ABOUT THAT PARKS
6 AND REC NEEDS ASSESSMENT, WHICH I THINK IS INTERESTING. WHAT
7 THEY CAME UP WITH WAS A \$3 MILLION CHARGE. NOW, WHEN I SAW
8 THAT, FRANKLY, IT BLANCHED MY MUSTACHE BECAUSE I THOUGHT GOOD
9 LORD, IF WE HAVE BIG NEEDS IN PARKS AND REC, HOW ARE WE
10 SPENDING \$3 MILLION ON A CONSULTANT, MR. SALADINO, WHO IS
11 GOING TO TELL US WHAT'S WRONG? I THOUGHT THIS CAN'T BE RIGHT,
12 FIRST OF ALL. AND THEN I THOUGHT, WELL, MAYBE I'M
13 MISUNDERSTANDING. AND I THOUGHT BENCHMARKING, THE H.B.R.
14 CONSULTING GROUP IS A GROUP THAT I THINK IT WAS FUJIOKA
15 ENGAGED TO LOOK AT THE LAW DEPARTMENT. THAT ONLY COST
16 \$553,000. AND OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE SOME VERY COMPLICATED ISSUES
17 THERE. WE GOT TO GET A HANDLE ON THIS BECAUSE I THINK THAT
18 PARKS AND REC ARE CRITICAL TO THE COUNTY RESIDENTS. WE HAVE
19 NEEDS ALL OVER THE FIVE DISTRICTS. AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT
20 TO GET A LOOK AT IT. BUT I THINK THAT THE DEPARTMENT SHOULD
21 COME FORWARD WITH THEIR IDEAS AND THEN LET THE SUPERVISORS
22 POKE AT IT A BIT BEFORE WE ENGAGE \$3 MILLION CONSULTANT.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** RIGHT.

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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** BECAUSE AS WE ALL KNOW, WE NEED TO WATCH AND BE
2 FISCALLY PRUDENT AND THAT SOUNDS LIKE A RECIPE --

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS?

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6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
7 AND ON A NOTE OF FISCAL PRUDENCE, I'LL TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT
8 MEASURE R. YOU KNOW, LADIES, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE FAMILIAR
9 WITH THIS STIPULATION OF 3 PERCENT LOCAL MATCH WHERE THE
10 COMMUNITIES PAY 3 PERCENT OF A COST OF A PROJECT, A MEASURE R
11 PROJECT. BUT WHAT'S INTERESTING ABOUT THAT IS LIKE IN THE
12 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THERE'S THREE PROJECTS THAT HAVE BEEN
13 ALLOCATED FUNDS FOR TIFIA, WHICH IS THE TRANSPORTATION,
14 FINANCE INNOVATIVE ACT FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. THE THREE
15 PROJECTS TOTAL ABOUT \$3 MILLION IN COSTS. THE TIFIA LOANS ARE
16 ABOUT 50 PERCENT. METRO IN ITS WISDOM IS TAKING 3 PERCENT OF
17 THE \$4 BILLION. NOT 3 PERCENT OF THE REMAINDER OF THE COST
18 AFTER THE TIFIA LOANS HAVE BEEN APPLIED, BUT 3 PERCENT OF THE
19 COST BEFORE THE TIFIA LOANS HAVE BEEN APPLIED. SO WHAT'S THE
20 DIFFERENCE? WELL, \$4 BILLION, 3 PERCENT IS \$120 MILLION. AFTER
21 THE TIFIA LOANS, IT'S \$60 MILLION. SO THE CITIES ARE ON THE
22 HOOK FOR \$60 MILLION, BUT NOT ALL OF THEM. CULVER CITY DIDN'T
23 PAY. SANTA MONICA DIDN'T PAY. THE FOOTHILL EXTENSION'S NOT
24 PAYING. THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR, MEASURE R FUNDING, NOT PAYING.
25 SO WHAT IS THE DEAL WITH THE 3 PERCENT? AND WHY ARE THE POORER

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1 COMMUNITIES BEING TOLD THEY HAVE TO PAY 3 PERCENT OF THEIR
2 LOCAL MATCH WHEN THESE OTHER COMMUNITIES AREN'T? SO I'M
3 WONDERING, BECAUSE WE JUST HEARD ABOUT FISCAL PROPRIETY IN
4 METRO, OF ALL PLACES, I'M NOT EVEN GOING TO TALK ABOUT MEASURE
5 R AND HOW IT'S GOING TO GENERATE \$40 BILLION WHEN THE BUDGET
6 FOR 2007 SAID IT WOULD BE LIKE \$600 MILLION IN FUNDING FOR THE
7 PROP A AND PROP C. WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO INTO THOSE
8 PROJECTIONS, BUT WE COULD. I'LL SAVE THAT FOR NEXT WEEK. BUT
9 YOU OUGHT TO ASK YOURSELF: WHY ARE THEY PAYING? THAT'S \$40
10 BILLION. \$60 BILLION FOR METRO AND THEY DON'T DESERVE IT.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO WE COULD HAVE A REPORT
13 BACK FROM THE C.E.O. AND PARKS ON THE MONEY ON RECOMMENDATIONS
14 AND HOW WE COULD USE THOSE FUNDS? WITHOUT OBJECTION. AND WE
15 WILL MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND YOU WILL REPORT.

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17 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN
18 ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM CS-
20 1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION;
21 ITEM NO. CS-2, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT CONSIDERATION OF THE POSITION
22 OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION, ITEM NO.
23 CS-3, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT CONSIDERATION OF THE POSITION OF
24 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH; AND ITEM NO. CS-4, DEPARTMENT HEAD
25 PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA.

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1 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION JANUARY 6, 2015**

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5 CS-1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION

6 (PARAGRAPH (1) OF SUBDIVISION (D) OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION

7 54956.9) GONZALO MARTINEZ V. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, ET AL.,

8 FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT CASE NO. CV 14-05456 DSF

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10 THIS FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS LAWSUIT CONCERNS ALLEGATIONS OF

11 EXCESSIVE USE OF FORCE BY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES. (14-5688).

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13 THE BOARD AUTHORIZED COUNTY COUNSEL TO MAKE A STATUTORY

14 SETTLEMENT OFFER IN THE MATTER ENTITLED GONZALO MARTINEZ V.

15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, ET AL. THE DETAILS OF THE SETTLEMENT

16 WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ONCE A SETTLEMENT IS REACHED.

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18 THE VOTE OF THE BOARD WAS UNANIMOUS WITH ALL SUPERVISORS BEING

19 PRESENT.

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21 NO REPORTABLE ACTION WAS TAKEN ON ITEMS CS-2, CS-3 OR CS-4.

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